

## P3.1 Mastery Quiz: Acceleration

### Section A

1. Choose which of the following is a vector quantity. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. Speed

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B. Weight

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C. Mass

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2. Choose the best definition of **acceleration**. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. Change in velocity

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B. Increase in speed

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C. Change in direction

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3. Newton's Third Law states that ... [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. an object has the same motion unless an unbalanced force acts on it.

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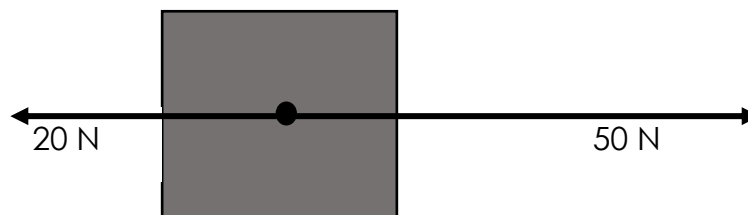
B. every action has an equal and opposite reaction.

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C. stationary objects have no forces acting on them.

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4. Use the diagram below to answer questions 4(a) and 4(b).



(a) If object in the diagram was initially **stationary**, choose the option that best describes the motion as a result of these forces. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. The object will move at a constant speed towards the right ☐
- B. The object will accelerate towards the right ☐
- C. The object will remain stationary ☐

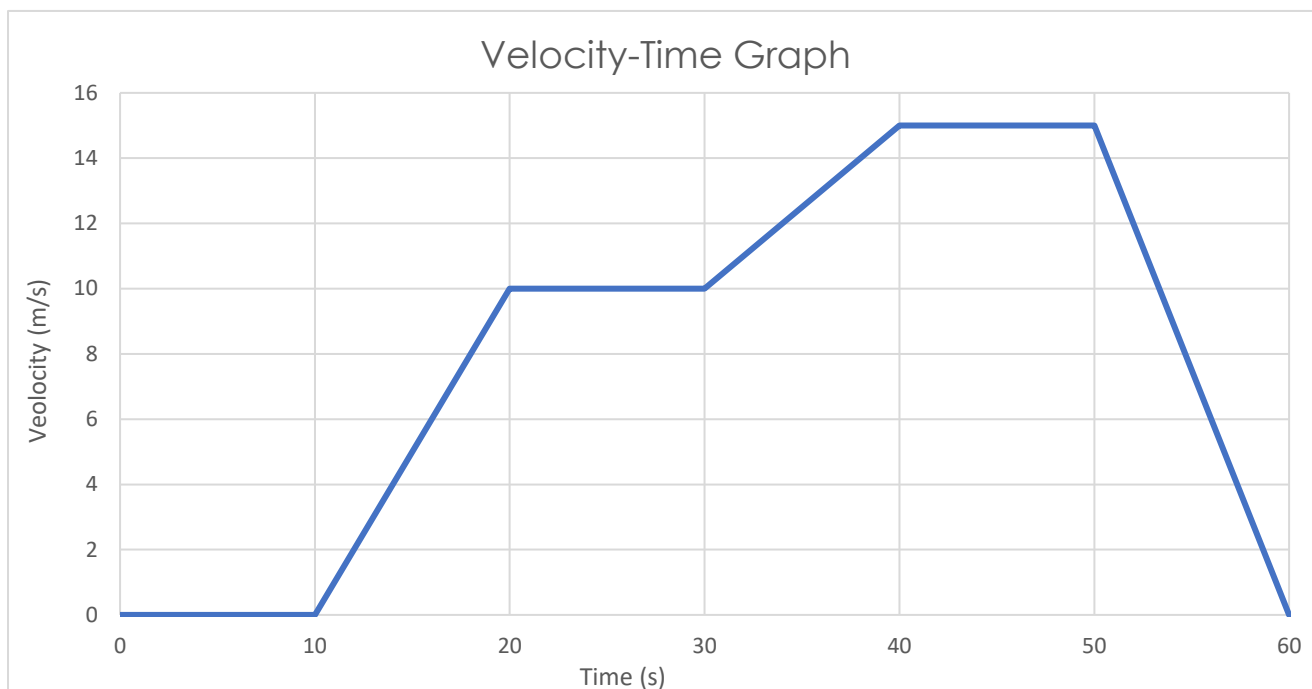
(b) If object in the diagram was initially **moving at a constant speed towards the left**, choose the option that best describes the motion as a result of these forces. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. The object will continue at the same speed in the same direction ☐
- B. The object will slow down towards the left ☐
- C. The object will move towards the right ☐



5. Use the velocity time graph below to answer questions 5(a) to 5(d).



(a) Choose the best description of the motion between 20 and 30 seconds. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. The object is travelling slower than between 10 and 20 seconds ☐
- B. The object is travelling at a constant speed ☐
- C. The object is stationary ☐

(b) Choose the best description of the motion between 50 and 60 seconds. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. The object is slowing down to a stop ☐
- B. The object is returning to its original position ☐
- C. The object is travelling faster than between 10 and 20 seconds ☐



(c) Choose what distance was covered by this object in the first 30 seconds. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. 300 m

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B. 150 m

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C. 500 m

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(d) Choose the acceleration between 30 and 40 seconds. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A.  $0.5 \text{ m/s}^2$

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B.  $0.5 \text{ m/s}$

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C.  $2 \text{ m/s}^2$

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D.  $2 \text{ m/s}$

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6. The equation  $y = mx + c$  represents a linear relationship on a graph.

Choose what 'm' represents in this equation. [1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. The gradient of the line

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B. Where the line intercepts the x axis

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C. Where the line intercepts the y axis

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7. A student investigated the time taken for two different balls to travel down a 5 m ramp.

A clock was used to measure the time.

The ramp was placed on a block so it was held at the same position.

The results are shown below and there is an anomaly circled.

Type of ball	Time (seconds)		
	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Ping-pong ball	4	4	1
Tennis ball	2	2	2

Choose the most likely cause of this anomaly.

[1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. A clock doesn't allow measurement of time to 2 decimal places ☐
- B. The student forgot to look at the clock so a shorter time was measured ☐
- C. The ping-pong ball must have travelled faster on the third reading ☐

8. Choose which measurements are needed to calculate the acceleration of an object.

[1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

- A. Final velocity of the object ☐
- B. Initial velocity and final velocity of the object ☐
- C. Initial velocity and final velocity of the object and the time taken for velocity to change ☐



9. Choose the correct way to calculate the gradient of a line.

[1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. Gradient =  $\frac{\text{Change in } x}{\text{Change in } y}$

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B. Gradient =  $\frac{\text{Change in } y}{\text{Change in } x}$

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C. Gradient =  $\frac{\text{Total } x}{\text{Total } y}$

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D. Gradient =  $\frac{\text{Total } y}{\text{Total } x}$

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10. Choose which pair of forces would create the largest resultant force.

[1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A. Two forces acting at 90° to each other

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B. Two forces acting at 180° to each other

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C. Two forces acting at 0° to each other

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11. Choose the correct method for calculating the acceleration of a car that accelerates from being stationary to 50 m/s in 5 seconds.

[1]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A.  $\frac{50 - 5}{5}$

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B.  $\frac{5 - 0}{50}$

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C.  $\frac{0 - 50}{5}$

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D.  $\frac{50 - 0}{5}$

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## Section B

1. List three examples of **scalar quantities**.

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2. Describe what is meant by the term **displacement**.

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3. An object is moving in a circle at a constant speed.  
Explain why it is correct to say that this object is accelerating.

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4. Sketch a velocity-time graph on the axes below using this information.  
(Scales are approximate in this diagram)

- A car travelled at a constant acceleration for 10 seconds
- Then the car remained at a constant speed for 10 seconds
- Then the car travelled at a constant deceleration for 20 seconds

