Physics Quiz # 1

Date Given: April 8, 2022 Date Due: April 14, 2022

- Q1. The statement that the acceleration of a particle is proportional to the resultant force acting on it and is in the direction of this force is:
 - (a) Newton's Second Law.
 - (b) Galileo's Law.
 - (c) Newton's First Law.
 - (d) Newton's Third Law.

Answer:

- (a) Newton's second law states that the acceleration of a particle is proportional to the resultant force acting on it and is in the direction of this force.
- **Q2.** The mass of a body is:
 - (a) Equivalent to its weight.
 - (b) Inversely proportional to the resistance of the body to a change in its motion.
 - (c) A quantitative measure of the inertia of the body.
 - (d) Dependent upon how far the body is from the center of the Earth.

Answer:

- (c) Mass is a quantitative measure of the inertia or resistance to change in motion of a body. Weight is a force calculated as the product of mass and the acceleration due to gravity.
- Q3. Force is a:
 - (a) Scalar.
 - (b) Vector.

Answer:

- (b) Force is a vector quantity specified by both magnitude and direction.
- Q4. Mass is a:
 - (a) Vector.
 - (b) Scalar.

Answer:

- (b) Mass is specified by magnitude only and it does not have any directional aspects, so it is a scalar quantity.
- **Q5.** A rigid body is an object:
 - (a) For which the dimensions are irrelevant to the description of its motion or the action of forces upon it.
 - (b) Whose changes in shape are negligible compared with the overall dimensions of the body or with the changes in position of the body as a whole.
 - (c) Whose dimensions are negligible.
 - (d) That is always at rest.

Answer:

(b) A rigid body is a body whose changes in shape are negligible compared with the overall dimensions of the body or with the changes in position of the body as a whole.