# A2. What Is Motion?

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Motion is all around us! When you walk, ride a bike, or see a car moving, that's motion. But what exactly is motion? Let's find out!

# **Definition of Motion**

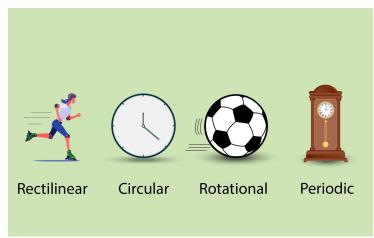
Motion is when an object changes its position over time. An object is in motion if it is moving from one place to another.

# **Types of Motion**

There are different types of motion, such as:

#### 1. Linear Motion

This is when an object moves in a straight line, like a train on its tracks.



## 2. Circular Motion

This is when an object moves in a circle, like a spinning top or a merry-go-round.

#### 3. Back-and-Forth Motion

This is when an object moves in a repeated back-and-forth pattern, like a swinging pendulum or a rocking chair.

### 4. Rotational Motion

This is when an object spins around an axis, like a spinning wheel or a spinning top.

### **Speed and Direction**

When we talk about motion, we often mention two important things: speed and direction.

### 1. Speed

Speed tells us how fast or slow an object is moving. When you ride a bike, you might go fast downhill and slow uphill.

### 2. Direction

Direction tells us which way an object is moving. For example, if you walk forward, you are moving in the direction you are facing.

## **Measuring Motion**

Scientists use tools like rulers and stopwatches to measure motion. They can measure how far an object has moved and how long it took to move.

## **Forces and Motion**

You might wonder why things move in the first place. Well, there's something called force that makes objects move. A force is like a push or a pull. When you kick a soccer ball, you use force to make it move.

#### **Friction and Motion**

Friction is a force that works against motion. It happens when two surfaces rub against each other. For example, when you slide on a carpet, there's more friction than when you slide on a slippery floor.

# **Examples of Motion**

Here are some examples of motion in our daily lives:

- 1. When you ride a bike, you experience circular motion as the wheels turn.
- 2. When you throw a ball, you see linear motion as it flies through the air.
- 3. When a fan spins, it shows rotational motion.
- 1. What is motion?
  - A) When an object changes its shape
  - B) When an object changes its color
  - C) When an object changes its position
  - D) When an object changes its size
- 2. What type of motion is shown when an object moves in a straight line?
  - A) Circular motion
  - B) Back-and-forth motion
  - C) Rotational motion
  - D) Linear motion
- 3. What is speed in motion?
  - A) How strong an object is
- B) How fast or slow an object is moving
  - C) The direction an object is moving
  - D) The color of an object
- 4. What does direction tell us in motion?
  - A) How strong an object is
  - B) How fast or slow an object is moving
  - C) The direction an object is moving
  - D) The color of an object
- 5. How do scientists measure motion?
  - A) With a thermometer
  - B) With a ruler and a stopwatch
  - C) With a magnet and a scale
  - D) With a telescope

- 6. What is force in motion?
  - A) A push or a pull that makes objects move
  - B) The color of an object
  - C) The direction an object is moving
  - D) How strong an object is
- 7. What is friction?
  - A) A force that makes objects move faster
  - B) A force that works against motion
  - C) A type of motion
  - D) A type of speed
- 8. What type of motion is shown when an object spins around an axis?

- A) Linear motion
  - B) Circular motion
  - C) Back-and-forth motion
  - D) Rotational motion
- 9. When you kick a soccer ball, what makes it move?
  - A) Speed
  - B) Direction
  - C) Friction
  - D) Force
- 10. What are some examples of motion?
  - A) Sleeping and eating
  - B) Reading a book and drawing
  - C) Riding a bike and throwing a ball
  - D) Sitting and watching TV

### **ANSWERS & EXPLANATIONS**

- 1. C When an object changes its position.
  - a. Motion is when an object changes its position over time.
- 2. D Linear motion.
  - a. Linear motion is when an object moves in a straight line.
- 3. B How fast or slow an object is moving.
  - a. Speed in motion tells us how fast or slow an object is moving.
- 4. C The direction an object is moving.
  - a. Direction in motion tells us which way an object is moving.
- 5. B With a ruler and a stopwatch.
  - a. Scientists measure motion using tools like rulers and stopwatches.
- 6. A A push or a pull that makes objects move.
  - a. Force is like a push or a pull that makes objects move.
- 7. B A force that works against motion.
  - a. Friction is a force that works against motion and happens when two surfaces rub against each other.
- 8. D Rotational motion.
  - a. Rotational motion is when an object spins around
- 9. D Force
  - a. The force that is applied to the ball makes it move.
- 10. C Riding a bike and throwing a ball
  - a. Both require forces acting upon them, such are in motion.