

- 3 (a) Explain what is meant by *centre of gravity*.

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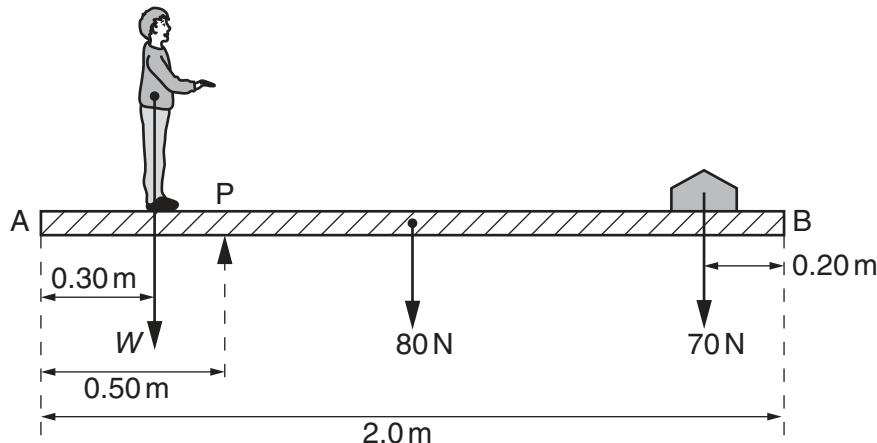
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- (b) Define *moment of a force*.

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- (c) A student is being weighed. The student, of weight  $W$ , stands 0.30 m from end A of a uniform plank AB, as shown in Fig. 3.1.



**Fig. 3.1** (not to scale)

The plank has weight 80 N and length 2.0 m. A pivot P supports the plank and is 0.50 m from end A.

A weight of 70 N is moved to balance the weight of the student. The plank is in equilibrium when the weight is 0.20 m from end B.

- (i) State the two conditions necessary for the plank to be in equilibrium.

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- (ii) Determine the weight  $W$  of the student.

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$$W = \dots\dots\dots\dots\dots N [3]$$

- (iii) If only the 70N weight is moved, there is a maximum weight of student that can be determined using the arrangement shown in Fig. 3.1. State and explain **one** change that can be made to increase this maximum weight.

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