

- 1 A student times the fall of a small metal ball. Data for the time t taken for a ball of mass m to fall a vertical distance h from rest are given in the table below.

h	588 ± 1 cm
m	10 ± 1 g
t	1.1 ± 0.1 s

- (a) Use the data to determine a value of the acceleration of free fall, g .

$$g = \dots \text{ m s}^{-2} [2]$$

- (b) The student collects 5 more sets of data at different heights.

Explain how the student can use the data to get a more accurate value of g .

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- (c) Use your answer in (a) to determine the loss in gravitational potential energy U for the ball.

loss in gravitational potential energy = J [1]

- (d) Hence, express U to an appropriate number of significant figures with its uncertainty.

$$U = \dots \pm \dots \text{ J} \quad [3]$$

[Total: 8]

