

# ENERGY

## KINETIC AND POTENTIAL ENERGY

- **KINETIC ENERGY** IS ENERGY A MOVING OBJECT HAS BECAUSE OF ITS MOTION.
- **POTENTIAL ENERGY** IS THE ENERGY STORED IN AN OBJECT.
- **MECHANICAL ENERGY** IS THE SUM OF THE KINETIC AND POTENTIAL ENERGY IN A SYSTEM.
- ENERGY IS A SCALAR.
- SI UNIT: **JOULE** (J)

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$E_k$ : KINETIC ENERGY (J)

$m$ : MASS (kg)

$v$ : VELOCITY ( $\frac{m}{s}$ )

$$E_p = mgh$$

$E_p$ : GRAVITATIONAL  
POTENTIAL ENERGY (J)

$m$ : MASS (kg)

$g$ : ACCELERATION DUE TO  
GRAVITY ( $9.8 \frac{m}{s^2}$ )

$h$ : HEIGHT (m)

· GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL ENERGY IS MEASURED RELATIVE TO A "ZERO" SUCH AS THE GROUND.

UNLESS SPECIFIED IN A QUESTION, THIS IS A POINT/HEIGHT OF YOUR CHOOSING.

$$E_p = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

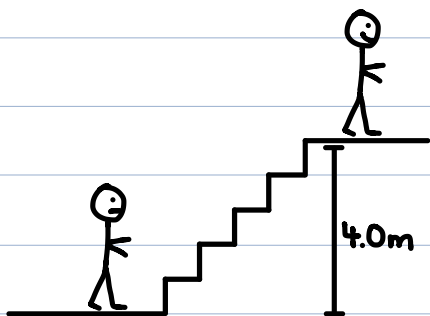
$E_p$ : ELASTIC POTENTIAL ENERGY (J)

$k$ : SPRING CONSTANT ( $\frac{N}{m}$ )

$x$ : DISPLACEMENT FROM EQUILIBRIUM POSITION (m)

## EXAMPLE

HOW MUCH GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL ENERGY IS GAINED WHEN AN 80 kg PERSON CLIMBS A 4.0 m HIGH STAIRCASE?



## EXAMPLE

WHICH HAS MORE KINETIC ENERGY?

a) A 50 g BULLET AT  $700 \frac{m}{s}$

b) A 2000 kg CAR AT  $3.5 \frac{m}{s}$

## WORK

· WORK IS THE SCALAR PRODUCT BETWEEN FORCE AND DISPLACEMENT.

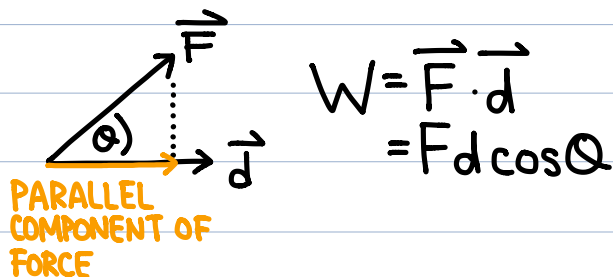
$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d}$$

W: WORK (J)

$\vec{F}$ : FORCE (N)

$\vec{d}$ : DISPLACEMENT (m)

- SCALAR PRODUCT: AKA DOT PRODUCT
- TWO PARALLEL VECTORS THAT MULTIPLY TO A SCALAR
- IF NOT PARALLEL, USE THE PARALLEL COMPONENT.



- WORK IS THE AREA UNDER AN  $F$ - $d$  GRAPH
- A CONSERVATIVE FORCE IS ONE FOR WHICH WORK DONE DEPENDS ONLY THE STARTING AND ENDING POINTS OF MOTION AND NOT ON THE PATH TAKEN.

*EXAMPLE*

GRAVITATIONAL FORCE, SPRING FORCE

- A NONCONSERVATIVE FORCE IS ONE FOR WHICH WORK DEPENDS ON THE PATH TAKEN.

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FRICTION



- **WORK ENERGY THEOREM:** THE WORK DONE BY ALL NONCONSERVATIVE FORCES IS EQUAL TO THE CHANGE IN THE MECHANICAL ENERGY OF THE SYSTEM.

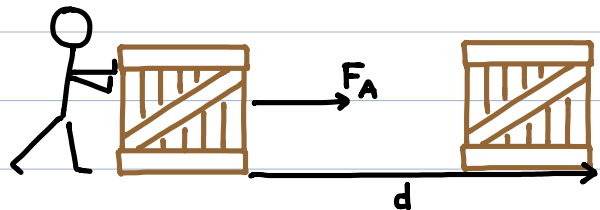
$$W_{nc} = \Delta E$$

$$= \Delta E_k + \Delta E_p$$

- POSITIVE WORK: FORCE IS IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS DISPLACEMENT.
- POSITIVE WORK MEANS THE OBJECT GAINS ENERGY.

EXAMPLE

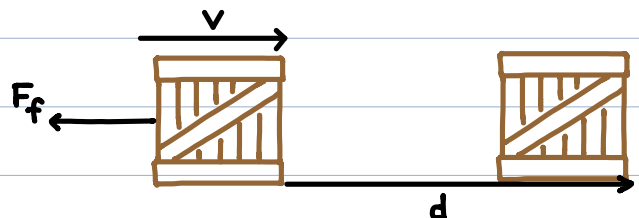
PUSHING A CRATE  
ACROSS THE FLOOR



- NEGATIVE WORK: FORCE IS IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION OF DISPLACEMENT.
- NEGATIVE WORK MEANS THE OBJECT LOSES ENERGY.

EXAMPLE

FRICTION ON A  
SLIDING OBJECT



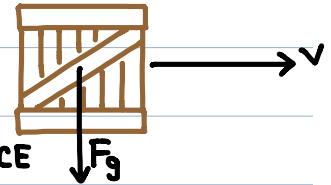
- NO WORK IS DONE IF THE OBJECT DOES NOT MOVE.
- NO WORK IS DONE IF THE FORCE AND DISPLACEMENT ARE PERPENDICULAR.

### EXAMPLE

PUSHING A  
WALL



GRAVITY ON AN  
OBJECT SLIDING  
ACROSS A  
HORIZONTAL SURFACE



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### DERIVING POTENTIAL ENERGY

HOW MUCH WORK IS REQUIRED TO LIFT  
A MASS  $m$  UP TO A HEIGHT  $h$ ?

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### DERIVING KINETIC ENERGY

HOW MUCH WORK IS REQUIRED TO  
ACCELERATE A MASS  $m$  FROM REST  
TO A SPEED  $v$ ?

### EXAMPLE

A 20 kg CRATE IS PUSHED ACROSS A FRICTIONLESS FLOOR WITH A FORCE OF 80 N. IF THE CRATE STARTS FROM REST, WHAT WILL BE ITS SPEED AFTER IT HAS BEEN PUSHED FOR 5.0 m?

# CONSERVATION OF MECHANICAL ENERGY

· IF ONLY CONSERVATIVE FORCES ACT ON A SYSTEM, THE TOTAL MECHANICAL ENERGY IS CONSTANT.

$$\Sigma E_i = \Sigma E_f$$

$$E_{k_i} + E_{p_i} = E_{k_f} + E_{p_f}$$

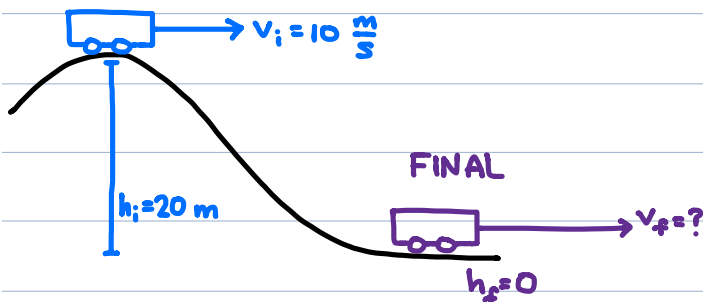
$$\frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 + mgh_i = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 + mgh_f$$

MASS WILL OFTEN CANCEL OUT.

## EXAMPLE

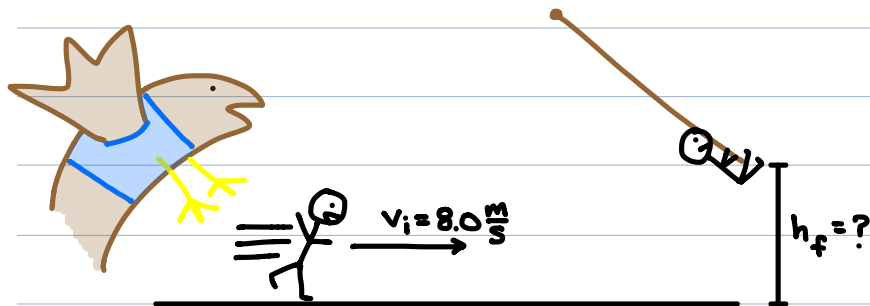
A ROLLER COASTER IS AT THE TOP OF A 20 m HIGH HILL WITH A SPEED OF  $10 \frac{m}{s}$ . WHAT IS ITS SPEED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL?

INITIAL



## EXAMPLE

THE THOMPSON TROJAN IS RUNNING FROM THE HAMBER GRIFFIN AT A SPEED OF  $8.0 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ . HE GRABS AN OVERHEAD ROPE AND SWINGS UPWARD. HOW HIGH DOES HE SWING?



· THE WORK DONE BY FRICTION, A NONCONSERVATIVE FORCE, RESULTS IN A TRANSFER OF MECHANICAL ENERGY INTO THERMAL ENERGY.

$$E_i = E_f + Q$$

$Q$ : HEAT (J)

$F_f$ : FORCE OF FRICTION (N)

$d$ : DISPLACEMENT (m)

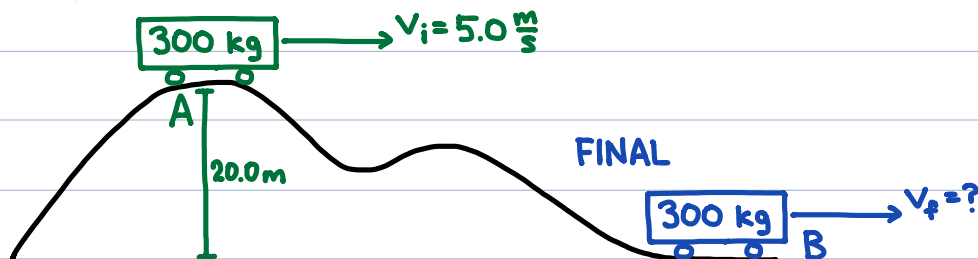
$$Q = F_f d$$

$$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ W = F d$$

## EXAMPLE

A 300 kg ROLLER COASTER CAR IS TRAVELLING ALONG A TRACK AS SHOWN WITH A SPEED OF  $5.0 \frac{m}{s}$  AT POINT A. WHAT IS THE SPEED OF THE CAR AT POINT B IF IT LOSES 29000 J OF ENERGY TO HEAT (DUE TO FRICTION)?

INITIAL



## POWER

- **POWER** IS THE RATE AT WHICH ENERGY IS ADDED OR USED.
- SI UNIT: **WATT** (W)

$$P = \frac{W}{t}$$

P: POWER (W)

W: WORK (J)

t: TIME (s)

## EXAMPLE

AN ELEVATOR CAN LIFT A LOAD OF 1000 kg TO A HEIGHT OF 30 m IN 40 s. WHAT IS THE POWER OUTPUT OF THE ELEVATOR?

## EFFICIENCY

$$\text{EFFICIENCY} = \frac{E_{\text{OUT}}}{E_{\text{IN}}} \\ = \frac{P_{\text{OUT}}}{P_{\text{IN}}}$$

$E_{\text{OUT}}$ : OUTPUT  
ENERGY (J) USEFUL  
ENERGY

$E_{\text{IN}}$ : INPUT  
ENERGY (J) ENERGY  
REQUIRED

$P_{\text{OUT}}$ : OUTPUT  
POWER (W)

$P_{\text{IN}}$ : INPUT  
POWER (W)

· EFFICIENCY IS EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE ( $\times 100\%$ )



### EXAMPLE

AN ELECTRIC MOTOR REQUIRES 850 J TO MOVE A 10 kg MASS UP TO A HEIGHT OF 5.0 m. WHAT IS THE EFFICIENCY OF THE MOTOR?