

kinematics

the study of motion without examining the causes; the description of motion

kinetic energy

energy of motion

law of conservation of energy

energy can neither be created nor destroyed but only changed in form

law of conservation of momentum

in the absence of external forces, the sum of the momenta before the collision is equal to the sum of the momenta after the collision

mass

a fundamental physical quantity; a measure of the amount of matter or inertia

metre	a fundamental unit of length; it is equal to the distance travelled by light in a vacuum in the fraction $1/299,792,458$ of a second
momentum	the product of mass and velocity of a moving body
motion	change in position relative to an observer
Newton	the SI unit of force; it is that force which will accelerate a mass of 1 kg at 1m.s
Newton's First Law	a body will remain at rest or travel with constant velocity unless acted upon by an unbalanced force

Newton's Second Law

the acceleration of an object is directly proportional to the resultant force acting on it and inversely proportional to its mass

Newton's Third Law

if one body exerts a force on a second body, the second body exerts the same force back on the first body; to every action there is an equal and opposite reaction

potential energy

energy due to position or configuration; stored energy

resolution of vectors

the breaking down of a vector into its components

resultant

that single vector which has the same effect as a number of other vectors; the vector sum of a number of vectors

resultant force

that single force which would have the same effect as two or more forces applied to the same point

scalar

a quantity that can be represented completely, purely by a number

speed

time rate of change of distance

tension

forces in ropes, strings, wires, cables, etc.

vector

a quantity that needs both a size and a direction to describe it fully and which obeys special laws of addition

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velocity

the time rate of  
change of  
displacement

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weight

the force of gravity  
on an object

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work

the product of force  
and displacement  
parallel to the force

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