



Physics 11 - Practice Questions

Unit: 6.1 Energy – Work

1. How much work is done on a 10.0 kg mass by Earth's gravitational field when the mass drops a distance of 5.0m?

$$m = 10.0 \text{ kg}$$
$$d = 5.0 \text{ m}$$

$$W = F \cdot d$$

$$W = mgd$$

$$W = \overbrace{(10.0)(9.81)}^{\text{N}}(5.0)$$

$$W = 490.5 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$W = 490 \text{ J}$$

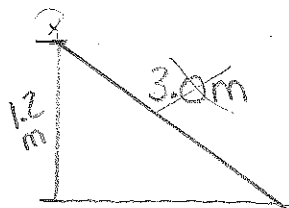
2. A girl uses a 3.0 m long ramp to push her 110 kg motorbike up to a trailer. The floor of the trailer is 1.2 m above the ground. How much work is done on the motorbike?

$$m = 110 \text{ kg}$$
$$d = 3.0 \text{ m}$$

$$d = 1.2 \text{ m}$$

$$W = F \cdot d$$

$$W = mgd$$



$$W = (110)(9.81)(1.2 \text{ m})$$

$$W = 1294.92 = 1300 \text{ J} = W$$

3. A hiker carries a 25 kg load up a hill at a steady speed through a vertical height of 350 m. How much work does she do on the load?

$$m = 25 \text{ kg}$$

$$d = 350 \text{ m}$$

$$W = Fd = mgd$$

$$W = (25)(9.81)(350)$$

$$W = 85837.5$$

$$W = 86000 \text{ J} = 8.6 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$$

or 86 kJ

4. The force of gravity on a box is 100.0 N. the coefficient of friction between the floor and the box is 0.250. How much work is done when the box is pushed along the floor, at a steady speed, for a distance of 15.0m?



$$F_g = 100.0 \text{ N}$$

$$\mu = 0.250$$

$$d = 15.0 \text{ m}$$

$$W = F \cdot d$$

$$F_f = \mu F_n \quad F_n = F_g$$

$$F_f = (0.250)(100.0 \text{ N})$$

$$F_f = 25 \text{ N}$$

$$W = (25 \text{ N})(15.0 \text{ m})$$

$$W = 375 \text{ J}$$

5. How powerful (in horsepower) is a motor that can lift a 500.0 kg load through a height of 12.0 m in a time of 12s. (1 HP = 750W)

$$m = 500.0 \text{ kg}$$

$$d = 12.0 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta t = 12 \text{ s}$$

$$P = \frac{W}{\Delta t} \quad W = F \cdot d$$

$$F_g = mg$$

$$P = \frac{mgd}{\Delta t}$$

$$P = \frac{(500.0)(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(12.0 \text{ m})}{12 \text{ s}}$$

$$P = 4905 \text{ W} \times \frac{1 \text{ horsepower}}{750 \text{ W}}$$

$$P = 6.54 \text{ hp}$$

$$P = 6.5 \text{ hp}$$

6. How much energy is consumed by a 100.0 W light bulb, if it is left on for 12.0 hr?

$$P = 100.0 \text{ W}$$

$$\Delta t = 12.0 \text{ hr} \times 3600 \text{ s} = 43200 \text{ s}$$

$$W = ?$$

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

$$P \Delta t = W$$

$$W = (100.0 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{s}})(43200 \text{ s})$$

$$W = 4320000 \text{ J}$$