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## Worksheet 7

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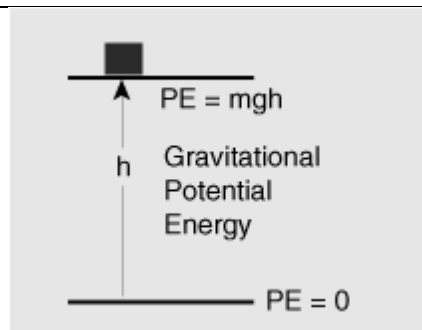
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Strand	2-Energy	
Sub-strand	Work, Power and Energy	
Content Learning Outcome	Learning	Objective: ➤ Understand mechanical energy (Kinetic and Potential Energy) ➤ Calculate potential and kinetic energies

### ENERGY

#### Difference between Energy and Work

Energy	Work
Is the ability to produce/create work	Is the ability to provide force and a change in distance to an object
There are many types of energy	Only one type of work



The higher the object is elevated, the greater the gravitational potential energy. Gravitational Potential Energy of an object is given as:

$$E_p = mgh$$

Note:

- Both work and energy has scalar units.
- Both work and energy are measured in Joules (J).

#### FORMS OF ENERGY

##### 1. Mechanical energy:

Total mechanical energy is the sum of gravitational potential energy and kinetic energy present in the components of a mechanical system.

$$E_m = E_p + E_k$$

- Gravitational Potential Energy:** This is the energy stored in an object due to its height.

Where:

$E_p$  = Gravitational Potential Energy (J)

m = mass of the object (kg)

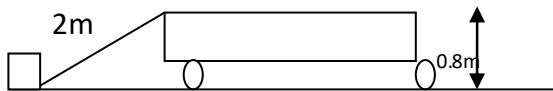
g = gravitational acceleration on Earth ( $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ )

h = height of the object (m)

#### Examples

- What is the potential energy of a 6 kg mass 4 m above the ground?  
 $E_p = mgh = 6 \times 10 \times 4 = 240 \text{ J}$
- A 45 kg girl jumps from a 0.4 m high stool onto the ground. How much potential energy does she lose?  
 $E_{p \text{ loss}} = mgh = 45 \times 10 \times 0.4 = 180 \text{ J}$
- Shivneel slides a 25 kg box up a ramp onto the back of a lorry. If the ramp is 2 m long and the back of the lorry is

0.8 m above the ground how much potential energy does the box gain?



(2 marks)

All that matters is the **VERTICAL** height moved and not the length of the ramp.

So:

$$E_{p \text{ gain}} = mgh = 25 \times 10 \times 0.8 = 200 \text{ J}$$

- **Kinetic Energy:** This is the energy an object has due to its motion (speed). The kinetic energy of a mass  $m$  is given by

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

Where:  $Ek$  = kinetic energy (J)

$m$  = mass of object (kg)

$v$  = speed of object (m/s)

(3 marks)

### Example 1

What is the kinetic energy of a 500 kg horse running at 15 m/s?

$$Ek = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 500 \times 15^2 = 56\,250 \text{ J}$$

(3 marks)

### Example 2

What is the kinetic energy of a one milligram raindrop falling at 0.5 mm/s .

$$Ek = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.000001 \times 0.0005^2 = 0.000\,000\,000\,000\,125 \text{ J} = 1.25 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$$

(Notice here that the mass must be in kg and the velocity in m/s)

### ACTIVITY

1. Find the potential energy of:

- a) 500g mass placed at a height of 1.2m

(2 marks)

- b) 1.5kg mass placed at a height of 2000mm.

2. Ridhi kicks a 50g ball vertically up to a maximum height of 5.2m. What was the balls':

- a) kinetic energy of at the maximum height. Explain.

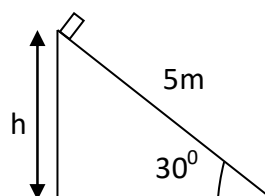
(Recall Projectile motion)

(2 marks)

- b) potential energy of at the maximum height.

3. A 0.10kg bird is flying at a constant speed of 8m/s. What is the birds' kinetic energy?

4. A 200g wooden block slides from rest from a 5m long incline as shown below:

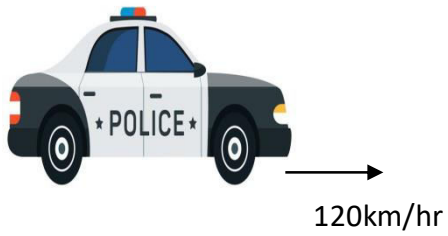


Calculate the potential energy stored in the wooden block before it was released.

Note: Use SOH/CAH/TOA to calculate h.

(4 marks)

5. Alanieta drives a police vehicle at a constant speed of 120km/hr.



a) Convert 120km/hr to m/s

(2 marks)

b) Calculate the kinetic energy at which Alanieta is driving the car.

(2 marks)

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