Physics

Motion and Energy

The Nature of Forces

What is a force - Gives energy to an object causing it to move, stop or change directions.

- 1. A force is a push or a pull
- 2. Balanced forces (cause no change in movement) vs. Unbalanced forces (causes change in movement)
- 3. Combining Forces:





Friction

- 1. Friction is a force that opposes motion
- 2. Friction will cause an object to slow down and eventually stop

Example: Ball rolling down a hill

<u>3 Types of Friction</u>

Sliding	Opposes the motion of the object on surface	S A A A A A	Push chair against floor
Rolling	Between wheels and surface	100000	Ball Bearings Skate board Roller blades
Fluid	Opposes motion of object in a fluid		Swimming pool

Forces

- Push or a pull in a particular direction
- When something is dropped it is pulled to the ground by gravity
- Forces affect motion (start moving, move faster, move slower, stop moving, change direction, change shape)
- Forces are measured in newtons
- Forces usually act in pairs
- Forces usually can not be seen but their effects can
- Forces can cause acceleration





What is Physics?

The study of forces and motion

Motion- occurs when an object changes position over a period of time compared to a reference point.

A. Frame of Reference - use a certain point to observe how far an object moves

*Most common frame of reference is Earth and Earth features

*Can be stationary or Moving



upward, the spring scale reads a value greater than the weight of the fish. -+ mg

When the elevator accelerates

When the elevator accelerates downward, the spring scale reads a value less than the weight of the fish.



Measuring Motion

Change in position over time



Displacement - how far something is from where it started (Direction Matters)

Example: Three cities lie in a straight line. City A is 12km from City B. City B is 6km from City C. Suppose a delivery drive begins in city A and Travels to city C. Then she travels t city B.

Distance - it would be 18km from A to C and then 6 back to B for a total of 24 km

Displacement - The driver began at A, ended at B so the total displacement is 12km



Speed

The distance traveled by a moving object per unit time.

The formula for average speed is total distance divided by total time.

Two types of speed

- 1. Average speed
- 2. Constant speed





Velocity

Speed of an object in a particular direction

- Velocity changes as direction changes
- Combining velocities
- Speed is not equal to velocity

A. Add velocity if objects are moving in the same direction

B. Subtract velocities if objects are moving in different directions