

Forces in Action

Q1.(2018)

A ✓

Q2.(2018)

C ✓

Q3.(2018)

B ✓

Q4.(2018)

A ✓

Q5.a(2018)

(upwards force) thrust / engine force / AW ✓
(downwards force) weight / drag / air resistance ✓

2

1.2
1.2

DO NOT ALLOW upthrust / engine power
ALLOW gravity / gravitational force
IGNORE mass

Q5.b(2018)

2000(N)

Q5.c(2018)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE
If answer = 2.5 (m/s²) award 3 marks

3

ALLOW ECF from 15aii

(acceleration) = force ÷ mass ✓
= 2000 ÷ 800 ✓
= 2.5 (m/s²) ✓

1.2
2.1
2.1

ALLOW correct symbol equation e.g (a =) F ÷ m
IGNORE triangle style equations

Q6.a(2018)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.05 (J) award 3 marks	3		
(work done) = force x distance ✓		1.2	ALLOW correct symbol equation e.g. $(w) = fxd$ IGNORE triangle style equations
$0.05 \times 1(.0)$ ✓		2.1	
$= 0.05 (J)$ ✓		2.1	

Q6.b(2018)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.01 W award 4 marks	4		ALLOW ECF from 16ai e.g. 1 W if answer to 16ai is 5 (J) ✓✓✓✓ 4 W if answer to 16ai is 20 (J) ✓✓✓✓
(power) = work done ÷ time ✓		1.2	ALLOW correct symbol equation e.g. $(p) = w/t$ IGNORE triangle style equations
$0.05 \div 5$ ✓		2.1	
$= 0.01$ ✓		2.1	ALLOW 0.01 with no units or incorrect units ✓✓✓
W / watts ✓		1.1	Unit mark is independent ALLOW J/s

Q6.c(2018)

3 (V)

Q6.d(2018)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON THE ANSWER LINE If answer = 0.5 (A) award 3 marks	3		ALLOW ECF from 16bi
(current) = potential difference ÷ resistance ✓		1.2	ALLOW correct symbol equation e.g. $(I) = V/R$ IGNORE triangle style equations
$3 \div 6.0$ ✓		2.1	
$= 0.5 (A)$ ✓		2.1	

Q6.e(2018)

add mass (to the toy car) ✓			ALLOW add weight (to the toy car)
add a resistor (to the electrical circuit to reduce current) ✓			IGNORE just reduce current ALLOW specific changes to the motor e.g. use a lower current motor / use less powerful motor IGNORE just reduce voltage to motor / increase the resistance of the motor

Q7.(2019)

B

Q8.a(2019)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE**2****If answer = 1.5 (N) award 2 marks**

$$25 \times 0.06 \checkmark$$

$$= 1.5 \text{ (N)} \checkmark$$

Q8.b(2019)

pull of spring / tension / AW $\checkmark$ (pull of) gravity / pull of earth / weight / AW $\checkmark$ **2****2×1.1****ALLOW** force of spring**ALLOW** gravitational (force) / force of gravity / force due to gravity

Q8.c(2019)

there is a resultant force / weight $\checkmark$ **2****2×1.1****ALLOW** (there is a downwards force but) no upwards force / downwards force > upwards force
ALLOW correct idea of unbalanced forcesSo the object accelerates (down) $\checkmark$

Q8.d(2019)

Force of mass on bench / AW $\checkmark$ **2**Contact force $\checkmark$

Q9.a(2019)

Force due to gravity / AW

1**1.1****ALLOW** the force/pull of gravity on an object
ALLOW $W = m \times g$ or $W = m \times a$ or in words

Q9.b(2019)

Recall $W = m \times g \checkmark$ $100g = 0.1kg \checkmark$ $W (= 0.1 \times 10) = 1N \checkmark$ **3****1.2****1.2****2.1****ALLOW** $F=ma$ **ALLOW** use of $g = 9.8$ to give 0.98 (N)

Q9.c(2019)

Lubricate (wheels/surface) $\checkmark$ **1****3.3b****ALLOW** incline surface
ALLOW make surface/wheels smooth(er)
ALLOW use an air track
ALLOW decrease mass / weight of trolley

Q9.d(2019)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 3.75 (m/s²) award 3 marks correct rearrangement of letters/words OR $1^2 - 0.5^2 = 2 \times a \times 0.1$ OR $1^2 - 0.5^2 = 0.75$ ✓ Rearrangement: $a = 1^2 - 0.5^2 / 2 \times 0.1$ OR $1^2 - 0.5^2 / 0.2$ OR $0.75 / 0.2$ ✓ $a = 3.75 \text{ (m/s}^2\text{)} \checkmark$	3	3 x 2.1	ALLOW U and V transposed for -3.75 m./s^2
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Q9.e(2019)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 0.72 (J) award 3 marks

3

Recall (KE =) $\frac{1}{2} \times m \times v^2 \checkmark$
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times (1.2)^2 \checkmark$
 (KE =) $0.72 \text{ (J)} \checkmark$

Q9.f(2019)

(No) because line of best fit does not pass through origin /
(0,0) (AW)

1**3.2b**

ALLOW quantitative description of direct
proportionality using data from the graph

Q10.(2020)

C

Q11.(2020)

A

Q12.(2020)

Please refer to the marking instructions on page 4 of this mark scheme for guidance on how to mark this question.

Level 3 (5–6 marks)

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of elastic and plastic deformation.

AND

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of Hooke's Law.

AND

Describes how the graphs show different stiffness of **A** and **B**.

There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.

Level 2 (3–4 marks)

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of elastic and plastic deformation.

AND

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of Hooke's Law.

OR

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of elastic and plastic deformation.

AND

Describes how the graphs show different stiffness of **A** and **B**.

OR

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of Hooke's Law.

AND

Describes how the graphs show different stiffness of **A** and **B**.

There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is relevant and supported by some evidence.

Level 1 (1–2 marks)

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of elastic and plastic deformation.

OR

Describes the properties of **A** and **B** using knowledge of Hooke's Law.

OR

Describes how the graphs show different stiffness of **A** and **B**.

There is an attempt at a logical structure with a line of reasoning. The information is in the most part relevant.

0 marks

No response or no response worthy of credit.

6

4 × 1.2
2 × 3.2b**AO3.2b Analyses information and ideas to draw conclusions about properties of each spring**

- **A** is stiffer / higher spring constant / doesn't extend/stretch as much (for the same force)
- as more force needed for same extension
- **B** is more flexible / less stiff / lower spring constant / extends/stretch more (for the same force)
- as less force needed for same extension

AO1.2 Demonstrates knowledge of linear and non-linear relationships between force and extension.

- As force increases, extension increases
- Linear relationship (between F and x) for **A**
- F proportional to x for **A**
- F proportional to x for **B** at the start / up to elastic limit / up to limit of proportionality
- Non-linear relationship for **B**
- **A** obeys Hooke's law
- **B** obeys Hooke's law at the start / up to elastic limit / limit of proportionality
- **B** doesn't obey Hooke's law at the end / after the elastic limit / after limit of proportionality

AO1.2 Demonstrates knowledge of elastic and plastic deformation

- **A** shows elastic behaviour
- **A** has the same shape / not overstretched (when force removed)
- **B** shows plastic behaviour
- **B** has a different shape / overstretched (when force is removed)

D ✓

Q14.(2021)

D ✓

Q15.a(2021)

Vertical arrow 5 cm long pointing upwards ✓

1

2.2

Judge 5 cm by eye
IGNORE label

Q15.b(2021)

Contact ✓

1

Q15.c(2021)

Forces
Unbalanced
Speed
✓✓

2

2 × 1.1

All 3 correct = ✓✓
Any 2 correct = ✓

Q15.d(2021)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 160 (N) award 2 marks

2

(Force =) 0.4×400 ✓
(Force =) 160 (N) ✓

Q15.e(2021)

There is more than 1 force acting on the ball ✓

2

2 × 2.1

ALLOW there are forces (acting) on the ball

Force from foot **AND** force from wall on ball ✓

Q16.a(2021)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 81 (J) award 2 marks

2

(W =) 45×1.8 ✓
(W =) 81 (J) ✓

Q16.b(2021)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 300 W award 3 marks

(P =) $1500 / 5$ ✓
 (P =) 300 ✓
 W / watts ✓

3

 2×2.1

1.2

ALLOW J/s

Q17.a(2021)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 2 (N) award 3 marks

Conversion: $200 \text{ g} = 0.2 \text{ kg}$ ✓
 (Force =) 0.2×10 ✓
 (Force =) 2 (N) ✓

3

1.2
 2×2.1

ALLOW use of 9.8(1) to give an answer of 1.96 (N) for 3 marks
ALLOW 2 marks for 2000 (N) (unit conversion missed)

Q17.b(2021)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE
If answer = 20 (N / m) award 3 marks

Rearrangement: $(k =) F \div x$ ✓
 (k =) $4.91 \div 0.25$ or 19.6 ✓
 (k =) 20 (N / m) ✓

3

1.2
 2×2.1

ALLOW candidate's answer to the nearest whole number for 1 mark

Q17.c(2021)

Mean = $((20+18+20+19)/4 =) 19 \text{ (N / m)}$ ✓

1

1.2

ALLOW 19.25

Q17.d(2021)

Plot a graph of force against extension / AW ✓

2

Gradient = spring constant ✓

Q18.(2022)

C ✓

Q19.(2022)

B ✓

Q20.(2022)

A ✓

Q21.a(2022)

Any two from:

Springs connected in series ✓

Each spring will stretch (due to the force) ✓

(Idea that) total extension is the sum of each spring's extension ✓

(Idea of) extra springs (themselves) add more weight/mass/force ✓

2

2 × 3.1b

ALLOW connected in line / one after the other

ALLOW all/more springs stretched

Q21.b(2022)

Ruler / (metre) rule ✓

1

1.1b

ALLOW measuring tape

Q21.c(2022)

The number/amount of springs (connected) / AW ✓

1

3.3a

ALLOW add more springs

Q21.d(2022)

The extension/stretch (of the spring) ✓

1

3.3a

ALLOW original length and extended/stretched length
IGNORE just length of spring

Q21.e(2022)

The type of spring / (amount of) mass/weight/load/force (added) ✓

1

3.3a

ALLOW (mass) hanger
ALLOW same spring constant
IGNORE the spring(s)

Q22.a(2022)

Property	Description	Example
Elastic	Keeps its new shape when force removed	Rubber band
Plastic	Regains original shape when force removed	Clay

Property and Description correctly matched x 2 ✓

Description and Example correctly matched x 2 ✓

Q22.b(2022)

Child C ✓

Q22.c(2022)

0.15 (kg) ✓	1	1.2	ALLOW any correct standard form, e.g. 150×10^{-3} (kg)
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Q22.d(2022)

FIRST CHECK THE ANSWER ON ANSWER LINE If answer = 3.5 (N) award 2 marks	2	2 × 2.1	
Weight = 0.35×10 ✓			ALLOW 3.5×10^n multiplied by 10, e.g. 350×10 for 1 mark
Weight = 3.5 (N) ✓			

Q22.e(2022)

100 (g) ✓

Q22.f(2022)

(100 g has) the smallest mass for the <u>same force</u> ✓	1	1.1	ALLOW correct reference to $a = F \div m$, e.g. acceleration is inversely proportional to the mass if the force is constant ALLOW smaller (size) so less air resistance ALLOW all three correct calculations of acceleration
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Q23.(2023)

A

Q24.(2023)

B

Q25.(2023)

D

Q26.(2024)

C

Q27.(2024)

B

Q28.(2024)

C

Q29.(2024)

D

Q30.a(2024)

First check the answer on the answer line
If answer = 30 000 (J) award 3 marks

(W =) Fs selected ✓

(W =) $600 \times 0.20 \times 250$ ✓

(W =) 30 000 (J) ✓

3

1.2

ALLOW (W=) F x d / (work=) force x distance
ALLOW 600 x 0.20 for 1 mark

2.1

ALLOW 120 for 2 marks

2.1

Q30.b(2024)

First check the answer on the answer line
If answer = 0.15 (kW) award 3 marks

(P =) $36\,000 \div 240$ ✓

(P =) 150 (W) ✓

(P =) 0.15 (kW) ✓

3

2.1

2.1

1.2

ALLOW 1.5×10^{-1} (kW)

ALLOW incorrect answer given in W correctly
converted to kW e.g. 30 converted to 0.03

ALLOW 1.5×10^n as the final answer for 2 marks

Q30.c(2024)

Topic [2]: [Forces]

Any three from:

Measure height (of step) using a metre rule / tape measure / ruler ✓

Count number of steps ✓

Measure weight using a (weighing) scales / balance ✓

Measure time using a stopwatch ✓

3**3 × 3.3a****ALLOW** stairs for steps throughout**IGNORE** measure height/distance using a trundle wheel**ALLOW** (use a set) amount of steps / see how many steps**ALLOW** measure weight using a newton meter / measure mass using scales/balance and multiply by g/10**ALLOW** measure time using a timer / stop clock

If no other marks scored:

ALLOW two different pieces of equipment to measure two different quantities for 1 mark e.g. use a metre rule and a stopwatch

Q30.d(2024)

	Yes	No		1
Precise	✓			
Repeatable	✓			

✓

Q30.e(2024)

Precise because results are close together / small range ✓	2	2 × 3.2a	ALLOW results are similar / every test comes out roughly the same / low range / range of 3
Repeatable because (same person) repeats the experiment/the method/the investigation/using same equipment giving similar results ✓			ALLOW correct descriptions of precise and repeatable without linking to terms precise or repeatable for 1 mark e.g. the results have a small range because the same person repeats the investigation