

## Linear Motion Practice

1. A person swims 4 complete laps in a 30 m long pool. (30 m is one way. 1 complete lap is there and back.)  
 A. What distance did they travel?  $1 \text{ lap} = 60\text{m}$   $60\text{m} \times 4 = 240\text{m}$

B. What is their total displacement?  $0\text{m}$  same location as origin

For each of the following situations give detailed descriptions including horizontal/vertical (x or y) and +/-.

2. A ball is thrown into the air. As it is going up

A. Displacement is:  $+$   
 B. Velocity is:  $+$   
 C. Acceleration is:  $\text{neg}$

3. A ball is rolling to the right and slowing down.

A. Displacement is:  $+$   
 B. Velocity is:  $+$   
 C. Acceleration is:  $-$

4. An object stops after moving 12 m/s to the right.

A. What is its initial velocity?  $12\text{m/s}$   
 B. What is its final velocity?  $0\text{m/s}$   
 C. Is its acceleration positive or negative?  $\text{neg}$   
 D. Is its displacement positive or negative?  $\text{pos}$

5. An object moves 50 m to the left after starting at rest. If it ends up going 12 m/s to the left, for how long did it accelerate?

Variables:

What's Variable is not used?

Solve:

$a$  —  
 $\Delta x = -50\text{m}$   
 $v_f = -12\text{m/s}$   
 $v_i = 0\text{m/s}$   
 $t$  ?

$a$   
 What equation will you use?

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2}(v_i + v_f)t$$

$$-50\text{m} = \frac{1}{2}(0\text{m/s} + -12\text{m/s})t$$

$$-50 = -6t$$

$$t = 8.3\text{sec}$$

6. An object is moving 6 m/s to the right. Then it accelerates at  $+3 \text{ m/s}^2$  for 4 seconds. What is its displacement?

Variables:

What's Variable is not used?

Solve:

$a$   $3\text{m/s}^2$   
 $\Delta x$  ?  
 $v_f$  —  
 $v_i$   $6\text{m/s}$   
 $t$   $4\text{s}$

$v_f$   
 What equation will you use?

$$\Delta x = (v_i t) + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$\Delta x = (6\text{m/s} \cdot 4\text{s}) + \frac{1}{2} 3\text{m/s}^2 (4\text{s})^2$$

$$\Delta x = 24 + 24$$

$$\Delta x = 48\text{m}$$

7. An object at rest begins to accelerate to the left. It travels 112 m to the left in 14 seconds.

What is the final velocity of the object?

Variables:

What's Variable is not used?

Solve:

$a$  —  
 $\Delta x = -112\text{m}$   
 $v_f$  ?  
 $v_i = 0\text{m/s}$   
 $t = 14\text{s}$

$a$   
 What equation will you use?

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2}(v_i + v_f)t$$

$$-112\text{m} = \frac{1}{2}(0 + v_f)14\text{s}$$

$$-112 = 7v_f$$

$$v_f = -16\text{m/s}$$

From the "Freefall" notes:

8. When an object is dropped or thrown, what is its acceleration?  $g = -9.8\text{m/s}^2$

9. An object is dropped from 18 m in the air.

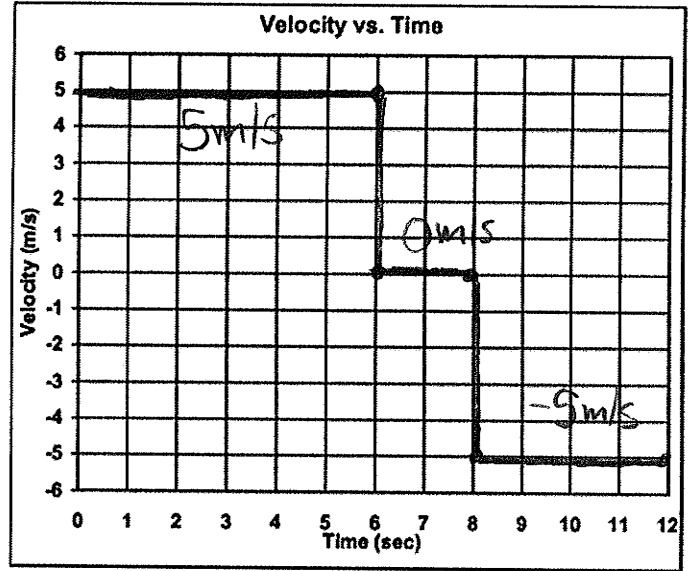
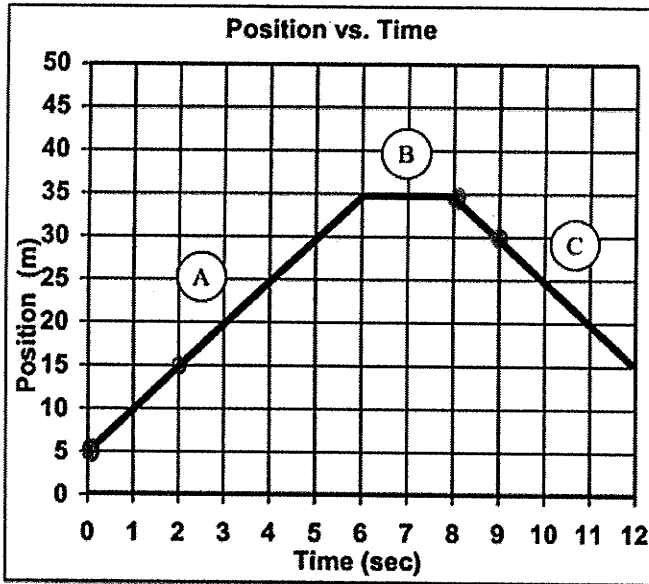
A. What is its initial velocity?  $0\text{m/s}$   
 B. What is its displacement?  $-18\text{m}$

10. An object is thrown into the air. You want to know how high up it goes.

A. Is its displacement going to be  $+$  or  $-$ ?  
 B. What will be its final velocity?  $0\text{m/s}$

Also from the "Freefall" notes:

11. A ball is thrown from the ground going 12 m/s. It lands back on the ground.
- What is the acceleration of the ball during its flight?  $-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
  - Since it comes back to the ground, what is  $\Delta y$ ?  $0 \text{ m}$
  - What will be its final velocity just before it hits the ground?  $-12 \text{ m/s}$



Use the graphs to answer the following:

12. A. What is the velocity of line A above?  
 (Hint: slope)  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{15\text{m} - 0\text{m}}{2.5} = \frac{10\text{m}}{2.5} = 4 \text{ m/s}$
- B. What is the velocity of line B above?  
 $0 \text{ m/s}$
- C. What is the velocity of line C above?  
 $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{30\text{m} - 35\text{m}}{15} = \frac{-5\text{m}}{15} = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ m/s}$
- D. Graph these three velocities on the velocity graph above.  
 See graph
- E. Figure out the acceleration of each of the lines on the velocity graph.  
 $\text{NO } \Delta V \text{ for any of them}$
- F. Transfer these three lines to the acceleration graph.

