

Topic Forces in the World Around Us

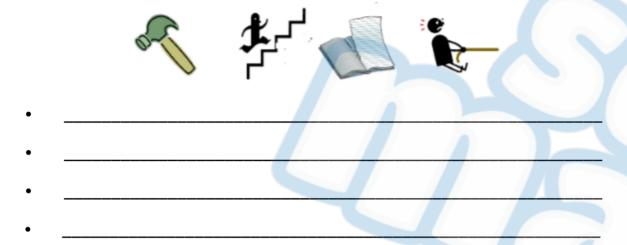
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TOPIC FORCES IN THE WORLD AROUND US.

Forces are important, aren't they? We may not be aware of it but we use forces every day to get things done.

Our everyday use of forces could include:-



You could say we are skilled at using forces. But what is a force?

A force is a _____ or a _____.

When forces act on an object they always cause a change.

A force can change an objects:-



S____



D_____.



S____

Look at your piece of apparatus. What could it be used to measure?



This	is apparatus is called a	·
Ever	ery time we measure we use a unit.	
e.g.	g. time, length	, volume,
	temperature	
From	om the force meter what is the unit for a	force?

Activity Measuring Forces.

Let's measure some forces using our force meters

FORCE NEEDED TO;-	SIZE OF FORCE (N)
Hold up a pencil case	N
Hold up a 1kg bag of	N
Tear a piece of paper	N
Pull a pencil case over the desk	N

Forces Around Us.

Apart from the forces that we produce, there are other forces around us that make things happen and keep things working properly.

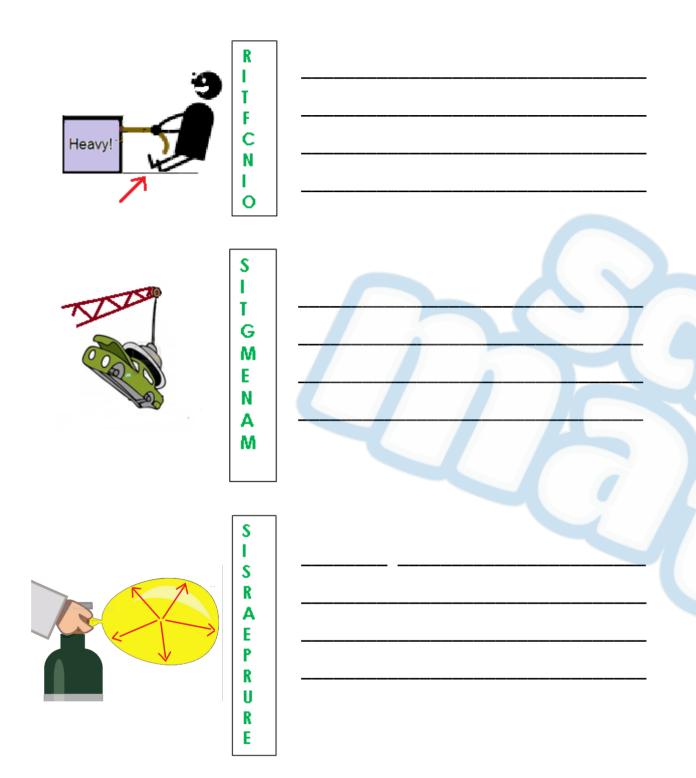
Look at the diagrams.

What is the cause of these forces?

Describe what is happening due to these forces.

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Other forces around us could also include:-

UPTHRUST – a force that causes objects to float.

SURFACE TENSION -- a force on the surface of a liquid, this enable insects to 'walk' on water.

Investigating Forces

1. Friction

Friction forces can be large or small.

Friction is a force between two surfaces, this force can prevent the surfaces from ______ over each other.

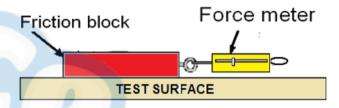
Lots of friction – lots of _____.

Little friction – lots of ______.

Friction is a force, so it is measured in _____ using a

<u>Activity</u> <u>Measuring some Friction forces.</u>

Use different surfaces and find the force needed to overcome friction and make the block start to slide.



Friction force between block and	Friction force (N
Desk top	
loor	
Paper	

What I found out.

The amount of friction depends on the type of ______.

In my experiment the greatest amount of friction was between the block and ______.

The least amount of friction was between the block and

When you double the weight by using two blocks what happens to the friction force?

Activity It all adds up!

Try this - I think you will be surprised!





Apart
Friction
Pull
Grip

Arrange the pages of the notebooks as shown below.





Now try to pull the books apart.

Finish the passage describing what happened and why.

The two notebooks were impossible to______

____. Friction is the force that causes the pages to each other.

Since there are a lot of pages gripping each other then there is a large _____ force. This force prevents them being

Figure out the frictions – are they large or small? Explain why? Are we after grip or slip?

Can you explain the role of friction in the situations below.



Little Lots Grip Friction Sticking
Slipping Twist Glide

A 100 meter sprinter may wear rubber soled running shoes?
Rubber soles provide of this prevents
the sprinter when running.
A ballroom dancer will wear smooth leather soled shoes?
Leather soles are smooth with this
allows the dancers to
Can you imagine a world without any friction?
Write a few sentences to describe a world without friction.
Walking Grip Slip Slide Moving Stopping
So friction is an essential everyday force. Friction is a force - so it is
measured in using a

2.	Gra	vity

If gravity has its way what goes up _______.

Gravity causes a force that pulls on things.

On Earth the force of gravity pulls objects down giving them their w_____.

Weight is a downward force so it must be measured in _____.

Now MASS is the amount of 'stuff' in an object and mass is measured

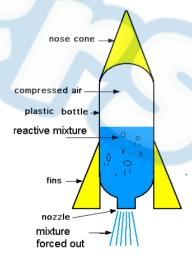
A 1kg bag of sugar has a weight on Earth of 10 N.

In outer space where there is **no gravity** a 1kg bag of sugar will weight _____.

Activity Bottle Rocket

Powerful rockets can provide the force needed to send satellites far out into orbit – out of gravity's reach. This place is called **zero-gravity.**

Now you will build and launch your own rocket. But how far will it travel?





Your rocket launch.

As the air was compressed the ______ built up in the bottle. Then suddenly the mixture and the rubber bung were forced down and out while the rocket was forced _____ and _____.

Why did the rocket lau	nch upwards?
	uced on the rocket was
Why did the rocket cor	ne back down again?
The upward force prod	uced by the rocket stopped and
Gravity - yes or no? Tick which involve the force of gravity.	
Can you im world with gravi	nout any
	Essential Weight Hang Stand
Write a few sentences	to describe a world without gravity.
So gravity is an	force in our universe.

3. Air Pressure

Well, what is air pressure?



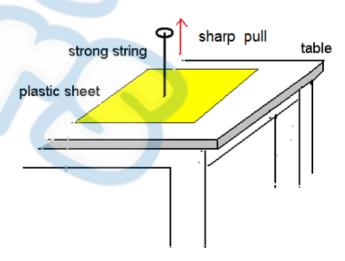
Due to air pressure, forces are acting on everything. Even us!

Do you imagine these forces to be large or small? ______.

Give a reason for your answer.

Activity

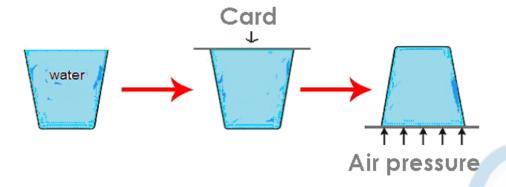
Let's find out about Air Pressure.



Finish the passage describing what happened in this activity.

When given a sharp pull the sheet remained on the ______ - almost as if it was ______ to it. This happened because of the _____ amount of _____ forcing the sheet to the table. Wow!

Activity Air pressure forces it up!?

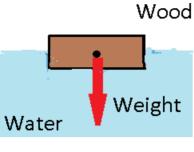


Describe what happened in this activity. Why did this happened?

So air pressure is all around us and it acts in _____

Remember a force is a _____ or a ____ and we measure forces in ____ using a ____.

4. Upthrust – Floating and Sinking.



What force is pulling the wooden block down into the water?

Where does the force come from that causes it to float?

This upward force from the water is called **UPTHRUST**.

Draw this force on the block.

If the block floats what can be said about the size of the upward force (upthrust) and the downward force (weight).

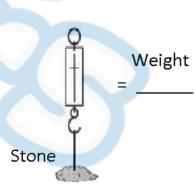
Weight is greater than the upthrust

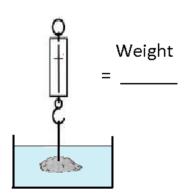
Upthrust is greater than the weight

Weight and upthrust are equal

Tick the correct box

Upthrust's effect





What happens to the weight of the stone when it is submerged in the water?

Why does the reading of the weight of the stone go down?

Why will the stone not float?

The upthrust is not ______ to make it float.



When objects take up space in water the water pushes back - UPTHRUST.
When more space is taken up there is more UPTHRUST.

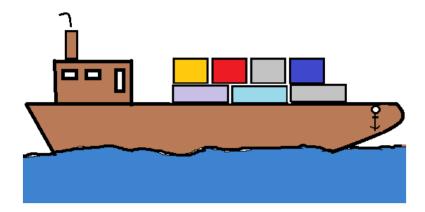
Activity Make it Float – Increase the Upthrust



Hollow Shape Shell Equal
Space Upthrust Boat Sink Float
Weight

Plasticine also sinks. How could we make it float? CHANGE ITS What shape of plasticine might float?		
Weight	stays the same / becomes greater / becomes less	
Upthrust	stays the same / becomes greater / becomes less	
	reight of the plasticine and the upthrust from the water the plasticine will	
	ming pool have you noticed that when you push a id (float) under the water and let go it shoots out of the	
	is because the is so much greater than of the float, as a result the float is forced up and	

Carrying Cargo



By shaping the plasticine into a 'boat' shape it will not only float but also carry cargo.

Describe the plasticine shape that carried the most weight (cargo).

Why do boats sink?

If boats take in water they become heavier and heavier until the weight is greater than the _____and the boat starts to

Ships have pumping systems (bilge pumps) that remove the water that is taken on board.

In this topic we have seen how important forces are - not only the forces that we produce to get things done - but also the everyday forces around us that keep our world and universe working properly.

The world around us is full of science - so truly science matters!

In the sections below draw and/or write to summarise 'Forces in the World Around Us'

FORCES GRAVITY FRICTION <u>UPTHRUST</u> **AIR PRESSURE**