

Isaac Newton's 3 Laws of Motion

Sir Isaac Newton (1642-1727) was an English physicist and mathematician. Before the age of 30 he formulated the laws of motion and invented calculus. Much of our modern science is based on Newton's

Newton's Laws of Motion

Law One – Law of Inertia
 An object at rest will stay at rest unless acted on by an unbalance force.
 An object in motion will stay in motion unless acted upon by an unbalanced force.
 OR
Things keep moving or stay at rest, unless a net force acts upon them.

Law Two – $F = ma$
 The acceleration of an object is proportional to the force acting on it and inversely proportional to its mass.
 OR
Force causes acceleration, while mass resists acceleration

Law Three – Law of Equal and Opposite Forces.
 Whenever one object exerts a force on another object, the second exert an equal and opposite force on the first.
 OR
For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.

Inertia

Inertia is the property of an object that resists change of motion.



More mass, more inertia

Moving objects have inertia: they want to keep moving;
 stopped objects have inertia: they want to stay at rest.



Less mass, less inertia

More mass = more inertia!
Something that is harder to push has more inertia!

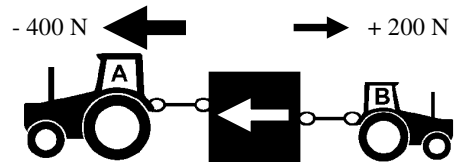
Force

A **force** is any action that can change or cause motion.
A force is any push or pull.
 We use Newtons (N) to measure force.

Net Force

Net force is the sum of all the forces and has direction. (Be sure to make right positive and left negative.)

An object will move in the direction of the net (or unbalanced) force.



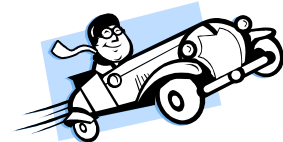
Net Force = + 200 N - 400 N = - 200 N (left)

Newton's Second Law

Force (in Newtons) →
 $F = ma$
← Mass (in kg)
← Acceleration (in m/sec^2)

Force equals mass times acceleration.

$F = ma$ tells us:
 For the same acceleration, **more mass requires more force.**
 For the same mass, **more acceleration requires more force.**



Newton's 2nd Law tells us that when you accelerate (stomp on the gas) or decelerate quickly (brake fast) you use more force and wear out engine parts and brakes faster.

Ex. How big a force does it take to give a 50 kg object an acceleration of $40 m/s^2$.

Variables:	Solve:
$40 m/s^2 = a$	$F = ma$
$50 kg = m$	$F = 50(40)$
$F = ?$	$F = 50 \times 40$
Equation:	$F = 2000N$
$F = ma$	

Ex. If a 50 N force pulls on a 10 kg object, how much acceleration will occur?

Variables:	Solve:
$50 N = F$	$F = ma$
$10 kg = m$	$50 = 10a$
$a = ?$	$\frac{50}{10} = \frac{10a}{10}$
Equation:	$5 = a$
$F = ma$	$a = 5 m/s^2$

Ex. A force of 49 N causes a $7 m/s^2$ acceleration. Find the mass of the object it was pulling.

Variables:	Solve:
$49 N = F$	$F = ma$
$7 m/s^2 = a$	$49 = m7$
$m = ?$	$\frac{49}{7} = \frac{m}{7}$
Equation:	$m = 7 kg$
$F = ma$	

Name: _____

Period: _____

1. F = _____ 2. m = _____ 3. a = _____ 4. v = _____ 5. D = _____ 6. p = _____	125 kilograms 23 kg/m/s 3 m/s ² 29 meters/sec 228 meters 6 newtons	Which of Newton's Three Laws Applies? Law 1, 2, or 3?								
		___ When you put a book on a table the table pushes on the book. ___ A person is pushed forward into their seatbelt when a car stops. ___ A larger car takes more force to move. ___ A person leans on a wall and the wall pushes back. ___ A brick sits on a table until you push on it.								
1. Inertia 2. Mass 3. Gravity 4. Net force 5. Force	A. An action that can causes motion. B. Force pulling all object toward each other. C. The amount of matter in an object D. Total of all of the forces on an object. E. Ability of an object to resist change of motion.	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center; border: none;"> Understanding Net Force </td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: right; border: none;"> Which way will it accelerate? </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; border: none;"> 30 N ← M → 25 N </td> <td style="text-align: right; border: none;"> _____ </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; border: none;"> 6 N ← M → 8 N </td> <td style="text-align: right; border: none;"> _____ </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; border: none;"> 15 N ← M → 15 N </td> <td style="text-align: right; border: none;"> _____ </td> </tr> </table>	Understanding Net Force	Which way will it accelerate?	30 N ← M → 25 N	_____	6 N ← M → 8 N	_____	15 N ← M → 15 N	_____
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Number these from least (1) to most (5) inertia.										
A baseball	A small car	A truck	A feather	A large train						
Number these from least (1) to most (5) momentum.										
Fast car	Parked truck	Slow car	Fast baseball	Fast feather						
A sled is being pulled to the left by 5 dogs, each dog pulling with 6 Newtons of force. Find the net force.		A 20 kg bike accelerates at 10 m/s ² . With what force was the person pedaling?								
_____ If a person pulls on a cart to the right with a force of 10 N and a second person pulls to the left with a force of 3 N, what is the net force (+ direction) on the cart?		_____ If a person is pushing a cart with a force of 40 Newtons and it accelerates at 0.5 m/s ² , what is the mass of the cart?								
_____ A 2 N and 6 N force pull on an object to the right and a 4 N force pulls to the left a 0.5 kg object. What is the net force on the object?		_____ What is the acceleration of a 3 kg rock that is thrown with a force of 18 N?								