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1. Which one of the following is *not* an area of physics?
   A) Mechanics
   B) Optics
   C) Algebra
   D) Acoustics

2. Motion necessarily involves
   A) a change in velocity.
   B) a change in speed.
   C) a change in direction.
   D) a change in position.
   E) all of these

3. The magnitude of a displacement is _____ the magnitude of the distance traveled.
   A) always unequal to
   B) less than or equal to
   C) always equal to
   D) greater than or equal to
   E) none of these; the two cannot be compared.

4. Displacement divided by time gives
   A) average acceleration.
   B) average velocity.
   C) average speed.
   D) average distance.

5. Average speed multiplied by time gives
   A) average acceleration.
   B) displacement.
   C) instantaneous speed.
   D) distance.

6. Distance covered per unit of time is called
   A) speed.
   B) acceleration.
   C) velocity.
   D) displacement.

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7. The straight-line distance and direction between two points are, together, called
   A) velocity.
   B) displacement.
   C) distance.
   D) acceleration.

8. The magnitudes of two horizontal displacements are 1 m and 9 m, respectively. Given that the vectors may be in either the plus or the minus direction, they *cannot* be added together to give a total displacement of
   A) 10 m.
   B) –8 m.
   C) 8 m.
   D) 9 m.
   E) 7 m.

9. A speedometer indicates _____ if the automobile is traveling forward.
   A) instantaneous acceleration
   B) instantaneous speed
   C) instantaneous velocity
   D) average speed
   E) average acceleration

10. If an object moves with constant velocity,
   A) its speed is constant.
   B) its direction is constant.
   C) its average speed is constant.
   D) its distance traveled per unit time is constant.
   E) all of these

11. If the instantaneous velocity of an object is constant, then so is its
   A) velocity.
   B) distance.
   C) acceleration.
   D) displacement.

12. The rate at which an object's velocity changes with time is called its
   A) instantaneous velocity.
   B) motion.
   C) speed.
   D) acceleration.

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13. An automobile's acceleration may be changed by using the
    A) windshield wipers.
    B) steering wheel.
    C) radio.
    D) horn.

14. An automobile's acceleration *cannot* be changed by using the
    A) gas pedal.
    B) brake pedal.
    C) steering wheel.
    D) stick shift.
    E) turn signal.

15. An acceleration may result from
    A) a change in speed.
    B) a change in direction.
    C) a change in both speed and direction.
    D) all of these

16. For which of the following is the acceleration constant?
    A) Nonuniform speed
    B) Free fall
    C) Uniform circular motion
    D) None of these

17. Velocity is similar to speed, but a _____ is also involved in velocity.
    A) acceleration
    B) direction
    C) position
    D) scalar

18. Which one of the following is true for deceleration?
    A) The acceleration is in the direction opposite the motion.
    B) The acceleration is zero.
    C) The acceleration is necessarily negative.
    D) The velocity remains constant.

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19. The distance traveled by an automobile moving at a constant velocity is
    A) directly proportional to the time.
    B) directly proportional to the time squared.
    C) inversely proportional to the time squared.
    D) inversely proportional to the time.
    E) none of these

20. An object that is moving in a linear path with an acceleration in the direction opposite to the motion has a(n) _____ velocity.
    A) constant
    B) increasing
    C) decreasing
    D) none of these

21. An object that is moving in a linear path with an acceleration at a right angle to the motion has a(n) _____ velocity.
    A) changing
    B) increasing
    C) decreasing
    D) constant

22. An object that is moving in a linear path with an acceleration in the direction of motion has a(n) _____ velocity.
    A) constant
    B) increasing
    C) decreasing
    D) none of these

23. As a block slides down a 40° frictionless incline, its acceleration
    A) decreases with distance.
    B) remains constant.
    C) is greatest at the bottom of the incline.
    D) is greatest at the top of the incline.

24. Which of the following is a possible unit of acceleration?
    A) m/s^2
    B) $m \times s$
    C) m^2/s
    D) m/s

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25. If the magnitude of the velocity of an object increases, we may be sure that during the time of this increase,
    A) the object is accelerated.
    B) the acceleration of the object increases.
    C) the object is moving in a straight path.
    D) the object is changing direction.
    E) none of these

26. A freely falling object
    A) has a uniformly increasing velocity.
    B) is unaffected by gravity.
    C) has a uniformly increasing acceleration.
    D) has a uniformly increasing displacement.

27. An object in free fall has
    A) a constant speed.
    B) a constant velocity.
    C) a velocity that changes 9.8 m/s each second.
    D) an acceleration that depends on its mass.

28. An object with a mass of 8 kg is dropped and takes 5 s to hit the ground. Then another object with a mass of 16 kg is dropped from the same point. How long does it take to hit the ground?
    A) 5 s
    B) 10 s
    C) 3 s
    D) 25 s
    E) 125 s

29. A car is moving down a freeway in a straight line at a constant rate of 24.0 m/s for 4.0 s. Its acceleration is
    A) 9.8 m/s^2.
    B) 9.8 m/s.
    C) zero.
    D) 24.0 m/s.
    E) 6.0 m/s^2.

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30. An object is dropped from a vertical distance of 31.7 m above the ground, and it takes 2.54 sec to fall that distance. A second identical object to launched from the same height, with a horizontal velocity of 64.0 m/s. How long does the second object take to fall the 31.7 m?
    A) More than 2.54 sec
    B) Almost 2.54 sec.
    C) Less than 2.54 sec
    D) Exactly 2.54 sec
    E) Much less than 2.54 sec

31. A freely falling object has a constant acceleration of 9.8 m/s^2. This means that
    A) the object's displacement changes by 9.8 m every second squared.
    B) the object's speed increases by 9.8 m/s each second.
    C) the object's acceleration increases by 9.8 m/s^2 each second.
    D) the object travels 9.8 m each second.

32. An object that is moving with an acceleration different from zero will always have a(n) _____ velocity.
    A) changing
    B) increasing
    C) constant
    D) decreasing

33. The distance traveled by a dropped object in free fall is directly proportional to
    A) the time squared.
    B) its weight.
    C) its mass.
    D) none of these.

34. Which of the following statements is *not* true?
    A) Displacement has a direction and a magnitude.
    B) Acceleration has a magnitude only.
    C) Speed has a magnitude only.
    D) Velocity has a magnitude and a direction.

35. All the following may be represented by vectors *except*
    A) velocity.
    B) acceleration.
    C) speed.
    D) displacement.

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36. An object in uniform circular motion has
    A) constant acceleration.
    B) variable radial distances.
    C) constant velocity.
    D) constant speed.

37. In the equation $a_c = v^2/r$ for centripetal acceleration, the r stands for
    A) diameter.
    B) distance.
    C) radius.
    D) rate.

38. In the equation $a_c = v^2/r$ for centripetal acceleration, the v stands for
    A) volume.
    B) very.
    C) speed.
    D) velociraptor.

39. An object travels in a circle of radius 10.0 m with a constant speed of 3.0 m/s. What is the direction of its acceleration?
    A) Toward the center of the circle
    B) Normal to the plane of the circle
    C) Insufficient data given for determination
    D) Tangential to the circle
    E) None of these

40. Centripetal means
    A) center seeking
    B) pulls outward
    C) constant
    D) fast
    E) none of these

41. The magnitude of the acceleration of an object moving in a circle at constant speed is
    A) variable.
    B) directly proportional to the speed squared.
    C) directly proportional to the speed.
    D) directly proportional to the radius of the circle squared.

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42. The direction of the acceleration of an object moving in a circle at constant speed is
    A) changing, but pointing in a predictable direction.
    B) constant and pointing in only one direction.
    C) constant and pointing in two directions.
    D) none of these

43. The magnitude of the acceleration of an object moving in a circle at constant speed is
    A) inversely proportional to the speed squared.
    B) inversely proportional to the speed.
    C) inversely proportional to the radius of the circle squared.
    D) inversely proportional to the radius of the circle.

44. If the speed of an object in circular motion is increased by a factor of 5, its centripetal acceleration for the same radius will be multiplied by a factor of
    A) 0.04.
    B) 0.2.
    C) 2.24.
    D) 25.
    E) 5.

45. A projectile's vertical velocity component
    A) changes most rapidly near the top of its trajectory.
    B) changes at a constant rate.
    C) changes most rapidly near the bottom of its trajectory.
    D) does not change.

46. A projectile's horizontal velocity component (ignoring air resistance)
    A) does not change.
    B) changes most rapidly near the bottom of its trajectory.
    C) changes at a variable rate.
    D) changes at a constant rate.

47. In projectile motion, which of the following is *not* constant?
    A) Vertical velocity
    B) Horizontal velocity
    C) Acceleration
    D) None of these

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48. A golfer hits a ball on a level fairway at an angle of 55° relative to the horizontal, and it lands on the green. Another golfer hits a ball with the same speed but at another angle, and it lands on the green by the other ball. What was the launch angle for the second golfer?
    A) 35°
    B) 25°
    C) 40°
    D) 45°
    E) 15°

49. A golfer hits a ball on a level fairway at an angle of 35° relative to the horizontal, and it lands on the green. Another golfer hits a ball with the same speed but at an angle of 55°, and it lands on the green by the other ball. Which statement is accurate for this situation?
    A) One ball is in the air longer than the other.
    B) One ball experiences a greater acceleration while in free flight.
    C) One ball experiences a smaller acceleration while in free flight.
    D) Two balls hit at the same speed but different angles will always land in the same location.
    E) Two balls hit at the same speed but different angles can never land in the same location.

50. When running and jumping to score, a basketball player seems to “hang” in the air because
    A) his or her acceleration is zero.
    B) his or her horizontal velocity is quite small.
    C) both components of motion are zero.
    D) his or her vertical velocity is quite small.
    E) levitation is possible with practice.

51. A continuous change in position is called _____.

52. The straight-line distance and direction between two points are, together, called _____.

53. Distance is a(n) _____ quantity.

54. A speedometer registers _____.

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55. A compass registers _____.

56. Speed is a(n) _____ quantity.

57. For there to be an acceleration, there must necessarily be a change in _____.

58. If an object has a constant velocity, then its acceleration is _____.

59. In free fall, the _____ is constant.

60. Physics deals with matter, motion, force, and _____.

61. Physics deals with force, energy, motion, and _____.

62. Free-fall motion neglects _____.

63. A rifle bullet shot horizontally has a vertical acceleration of _____.

64. Dropped objects on the Moon fall at a slower rate than on Earth because of a smaller _____.

65. The distance a dropped object travels is proportional to the _____ of the time.

66. In straight-line motion, if a moving object slows down, the direction of the acceleration is _____ the direction of the velocity.

67. In straight-line motion, if a moving object speeds up, the direction of the acceleration is _____ the direction of the velocity.

68. On Earth, the magnitude of the acceleration of a vertical projectile at its maximum height is equal to _____.

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69. On Earth, the magnitude of the velocity of a vertical projectile at its maximum height is equal to _____.

70. A(n) _____ quantity has both magnitude and direction.

71. A(n) _____ quantity has only magnitude.

72. Temperature is an example of a(n) _____ quantity.

73. An object moving in a circle with a constant speed has a(n) _____ directed toward the center of the circle.

74. _____ acceleration is necessary for uniform circular motion.

75. What two quantities are constant in uniform circular motion? _____ and _____

76. The SI unit of centripetal acceleration is _____.

77. The centripetal acceleration of an automobile in uniform circular motion on a flat circular track is supplied by _____.

78. For an object in uniform circular motion, the acceleration points toward _____.

79. A rifle bullet shot horizontally at a velocity of 9.8 m/s has a horizontal acceleration of _____.

80. Two objects are in uniform circular motion at the same speed but at different radii. The one with the _____ radius has the largest centripetal acceleration.

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81. At the maximum height of a projectile launched at an angle to the horizontal, the projectile's velocity is in a _____ direction.

82. Under ideal conditions, a projectile with a given initial speed at an angle of 85° has the same range as a projectile at an angle of _____ with the same initial speed.

83. Because of air resistance, an object falling a great distance may reach a _____ velocity.

84. A student travels from St. Louis to Indianapolis, a distance of 210 mi, in 6.0 h. The return trip over the same route takes 7.0 h. What is the average speed for
    a. the first half of the trip?
    b. the second half of the trip?
    c. the total trip?

85. On a trip, a family travels 200 km in 2.5 h on the first day, 300 km in 4.0 h on the second day, and 250 km in 3.5 h on the third day. What was the average speed, in kilometers per hour, for the total trip?

86. An automobile traveling on a straight, level road at 15 km/h speeds up to 90 km/h in 30 s. What was the magnitude of the auto's acceleration, in meters per second squared?

87. An object is dropped (g = 9.80 m/s^2) and falls for 5.00 s before hitting the ground.
    a. How far has the object fallen?
    b. What is the final velocity?
    c. What is the final acceleration?

88. A ball is thrown up in the air with an initial velocity of 78.4 m/s upward. How long does it take the ball
    a. to go up?
    b. to come down after reaching maximum height?

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89. The following data refer to a car traveling west:

t (s)	0	1	2	3	4
v (m/s)	30	25	20	15	10

Find the magnitude and direction of the acceleration.

90. A car travels at a constant speed of 100.0 km/h around a circular track with a diameter of 1.00 km. What is the magnitude of the car's centripetal acceleration, and what supplies this?

91. The following are data for an accelerating car:

t (s)	0	5	10	15	20
v (m/s)	0	3	6	9	12

a. Is this car undergoing uniform acceleration?
b. If so, what is the acceleration?

92. A ball dropped from the top of a building hits the ground 8.0 s later. How high is the building (in meters)?

93. On the Moon, what is the approximate value for the acceleration due to gravity?

94. A stone is dropped from the top of a well that has water in it at a depth of 65.0 m. How long does it take the stone to reach the water?

95. A rock dropped down a well takes 1.8 s to hit the water. How far below the top of the well is the surface of the water?

96. What is the displacement of a hiker who travels 3.0 km east and then 4.0 km north?

97. An ant on a picnic table travels 30 cm eastward, then 15 cm northward, then 20 cm westward, and finally 15 cm southward. What is the magnitude of its net displacement?

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Answer Key

1. C
2. D
3. B
4. B
5. D
6. A
7. B
8. E
9. B
10. E
11. A
12. D
13. B
14. E
15. D
16. B
17. B
18. A
19. A
20. C
21. A
22. D
23. B
24. A
25. A
26. A
27. C
28. A
29. C
30. D
31. B
32. A
33. A
34. B
35. C
36. D
37. C
38. C
39. A
40. A
41. B
42. A
43. D
44. D

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45. B
46. A
47. A
48. A
49. A
50. D
51. motion
52. displacement
53. scalar
54. instantaneous speed
55. direction
56. scalar
57. velocity
58. zero
59. acceleration
60. energy
61. matter
62. frictional effects, or air resistance
63. 9.8 m/s^2, or 32 ft/s^2 (gravity)
64. acceleration due to gravity
65. square
66. opposite to, or antiparallel to
67. along, the same as, or parallel to
68. *g*, or 9.8 m/s^2
69. zero
70. vector
71. scalar
72. scalar
73. acceleration
74. Centripetal
75. radial distance (radius); speed
76. meters per second squared ($m/s^{2)}$
77. friction
78. the center of the circle
79. zero
80. smallest or least
81. horizontal
82. 5°
83. terminal
84. a. 35 mi/h
    b. 30 mi/h
    c. 32 mi/h
85. 75 km/h
86. 0.69 m/s^2
87. a. 123 m
    b. 49 m/s, downward

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c. 9.80 m/s^2, downward

88. a. 8.0 s
    b. 8.0 s
89. –5.0 m/s^2, or 5.0 m/s^2 east
90. 1.54 m/s^2, friction
91. a. Yes
    b. 0.6 m/s^2
92. 310 m (rounded to two significant figures)
93. 1.6 m/s^2
94. 3.6 s
95. 16 m
96. 5.0 km
97. 10 cm

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