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Topic 3 - Lesson 2: "Speed, Velocity, and Acceleration"

Guiding Questions: Use pgs. 128-137

- How do you determine speed from calculations and distance – versus-time graphs?
- How is velocity related to speed and acceleration?
- How can you interpret graphs to determine acceleration?

1. The _____ of an object is the distance that object moves per unit of time.
2. How do you calculate speed?

3. Give an example of a unit for speed? _____

4. What is the SI unit for speed? _____

5. The _____ the number of meters per second, the _____ the speed at which the object is traveling.

6. How does instantaneous speed differ from average speed?

7. On a distance vs. time graph, time is found on the _____ axis. Distance is found on the _____ axis.

8. A _____ would be shown on a distance vs. time graph to show how far the object has traveled over a unit of time.

9. The angle of a line on a graph is called _____.

10. How do you calculate the slope of a line?

11. The slope of a distance vs. time graph represents _____.

12. The steeper the slope of the line on a distance vs. time graph means the _____ the speed.

13. A constant slope represents motion at a constant _____.

14. The speed at which an object traveled in a given direction is called _____.

15. A woman is taking a walk, moving at a rate of 80 meters/minute. What additional information would you need to determine her velocity?

16. How can understanding velocity help to prevent a mid-air collision of 2 planes?

17. A cross-country runner runs 4 km in 15 minutes going south towards EHS. What can you calculate using this information?

- Acceleration
- Force
- Speed
- Velocity

18. Define acceleration.

19. What are 3 ways to accelerate?

- _____
- _____
- _____

20. Even a car traveling at a constant speed is accelerating when it changes _____.

21. What is the formula for acceleration?

22. What is the SI unit for acceleration? _____

23. Which statement about acceleration is always true?

- a. The unit m/s is the SI unit of acceleration.
- b. For objects to accelerate, they must speed up.
- c. Either a change in speed or a change in direction causes acceleration.
- d. Both speed and direction must change for acceleration to occur.

24. Using the plane in figure 6 on page 134-135, answer the following questions.

- a. What is the acceleration of the plane after 2 seconds?

- b. On landing, the plane touches the runway with a speed of 65 m/s. The figure shows the speed of the plane after 1 second. Calculate the acceleration of the plane during its landing.

- c. What does a negative value for acceleration mean in the above question?

25. When graphing acceleration on a speed vs. time graph, what would the x – axis be labeled?

_____ . What would the y-axis be labeled? _____

26. How are speed, velocity, and acceleration of a moving object related?

27. If the line on a distance vs. time graph and the line on a speed vs. time graph are both straight lines going through the origin, can the two graphs be displaying the motion of the same object? Explain.
