

Lesson 2 Speed and Velocity

Predict three facts that will be discussed in Lesson 2 after reading the headings. Write your facts in your Science Journal.

Main Idea

What is speed?

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Details

Define speed, and tell how it is determined.

Definition: _____

How speed is determined: _____

Determine the speed of each event. Draw a line to the reasonable measurement of speed for that event.

person walking	245 m/s
car on highway	6.4 km/h
airplane flying	60–100 km/h

Examine constant speed, changing speed, and instantaneous speed.

Speed	Description
Constant	
Changing	
Instantaneous	

Write the equation for calculating average speed.

$$\text{average speed (in m/s)} = \frac{\text{_____ (in m)}}{\text{_____ (in s)}} \text{ or } v = \frac{d}{t}$$

Determine the speeds in the following scenario.

John drives 50 km/h for one hour and 100 km/h for one hour.

instantaneous speed each hour: _____

average speed for the two hours: _____

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Main Idea

Distance-Time Graphs

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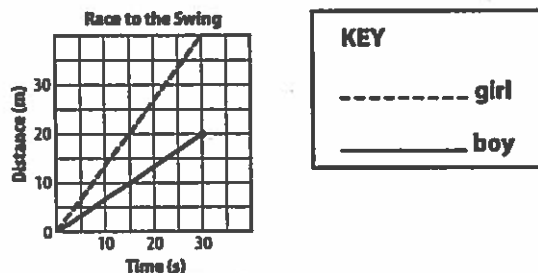
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Interpret the distance-time graph to tell what happened in the race to the swing.

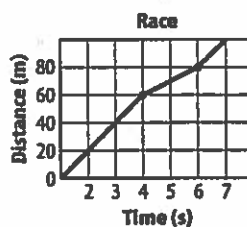


The boy and girl start from the school door. When the _____ reaches the swing, the _____ is 30 m from the school door.

Sequence the 5 steps used to calculate average speed of an object on a distance-time graph.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Calculate the average speed of the runner between seconds 4 and 6 using the five steps.



- Step 1. _____
- Step 2. _____
- Step 3. _____
- Step 4. _____
- Step 5. _____

What is the runner's average speed? _____

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Velocity

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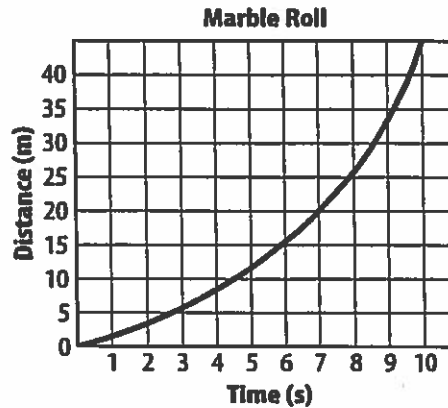
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Identify 3 motions that can be shown on distance-time graphs.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Calculate the average speed of the marble.



Starting point: _____ Ending point: _____

Change in distance: _____ Change in time: _____

Average speed of the marble: _____

Define velocity.

velocity: _____



Explain how velocity can change.

Velocity
changes when



Analyze It Explain how motion can be described using a distance-time graph.

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