Describing Motion

Content Practice A

Position and Motion

Directions: Complete this concept map by choosing terms from the word bank and writing them in the correct spaces. Each term is used only once.



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Position and Motion	n		
Directions: <i>Complete these paragraf than once.</i>	ohs by writing the correct terms on the line	es. Some terms might be used more	
To describe an object's (1.)	, you	must first choose a(n)	
(2.)	as a starting place. From there,	you must specify the	
(3.)	to the object and the (4.)	in	
which it lies from the starting	place. If you are giving directions	to two objects located	
in different directions from the	e same (5.)	, it can sometimes	
be helpful to describe one obje	ect as being in the (6.)	direction	
from that place and the other	in the (7.)	direction.	
An object is in (8.)	any time its		
(9.)	_ is changing. In most cases, such	a change involves changes in	
(10.)	and (11.)	from the starting	
point. However, if an object re	turns to its starting point, its		
(12.)	is zero, even though it might have traveled		
a considerable (13.)	·		

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LESSON 2

Speed and Velocity

Directions: *On each line, write the term from the word bank that correctly completes each sentence. Each term* is used only once.

â	average	constant	direction	distance	horizontal
i	instantaneous	steep	time	velocity	
1.	Speed is a measure o	f the		an object travels	in a unit
	of				
2.	When a moving obje	ect's change of	position is equal	in every second, i	t is moving
	at a(n)		_ speed.		
3.	An object's speed at	any particular	moment is its		speed.
4.	Its speed for the enti	re duration th	at it is in motion	from one place to	another is
	its	spe	ed.		
5.	A(n)	li	ne on a distance-	time graph shows a	a fast speed.
6.	A(n) motion.	p	ortion on a dista	nce-time graph sho	ows a period of no
7.	The	of	f a moving object	includes its speed	

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Speed and Velocity

Directions: *Draw a line on each of the time-distance graphs below as instructed.*



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1. Show a car's constant speed of 75 km/h on a city street.



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2. Show the motion of a car that travels for 30 seconds on a highway at a speed of 2 km/h, pulls off on the shoulder and stops for half a minute, and then resumes its trip at half its previous speed.

Directions: *Answer each question on the lines provided.*

3. What is an object's velocity?

4. What are three ways that an object can change its velocity?

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LESSON 3

Acceleration

Directions: *On each line, write the term from the word bank that correctly completes each sentence. Each term is used only once.*

	backward	constant	decreasing	direction	forward
i	ncreasing	speed	velocity	x-axis	y-axis
1.	A moving object	undergoes an a	acceleration when i	ts	or
		cha	anges.		
2.	When a moving are in oppositior	object slows do 1.	own, its acceleration	n and	
3.	When a moving from	object slows do	own, an arrow repre to	esenting its acceler	ation flips
4.	On a speed-time is on the	graph, speed is	s plotted on the		, and time
5.	On a speed-time upward from the	graph, a(n) e left.		speed is sho	own by a line going
6.	On a speed-time downward to the	graph, a(n) e right.		speed is sho	own by a line going
7.	On a speed-time	graph, a(n)		speed is rep	presented by a

horizontal line.

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Acceleration

Directions: *On the speed-time graph below, draw a line showing the motion of a test car that moved forward at a speed of 50 km/h and crashed into a barrier at the 5-second mark. Continue the line for the full 10 seconds.*



Directions: Answer each question or respond to each statement on the lines provided.

2. What is acceleration?

3. When a moving object reduces its speed, what happens to the object's acceleration in relation to its velocity?

4. Why is a car rounding a curve accelerating, even if it is moving at a constant speed?

5. What does each letter in the following equation stand for: $a = (v_f - v_i)/t$?