

**Physics 220 - Exam #  
Fall 2011**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Scientific theories can always be proven correct through a reasonable amount of experimentation, if they are indeed correct.
  - a. True
  - b. False
  
2. If an object has a positive velocity and a negative acceleration, it means the object will
  - a. slow down.
  - b. speed up.
  - c. slow down, turn around and speed up in the other direction
  - d. remain at a constant speed
  
3. When a ball is thrown up into the air, what is its acceleration at the top of its flight?
  - a.  $a = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
  - b.  $a = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
  - c.  $a = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
  - d. not enough information is given.
  
4. What does the slope of this graph represent?
  - a. Position
  - b. Velocity
  - c. Acceleration
  
5. Use dimensional analysis to verify that the equation  $a = \Delta x / \Delta t$  could be correct.
  
6. Sketch the corresponding velocity vs. time and acceleration vs. time graphs for the graph in #4.
  
7. A train travels at a constant speed of 100 m/s for 3 days and then returns to its original destination at 70 m/s.
  - a. How long does the return trip take?
  - b. What is the train's average velocity for the entire trip out and back?
  
8. If a cannon is fired on a flat plane at an angle of  $20^\circ$  above the horizontal with an initial velocity of 25 m/s,
  - a. how long is it in the air? and
  - b. what is its range?

1 mile = 1609 meters

1 kilometer = 0.621 miles    100 centimeters = 1 meter

1 hour = 3600 seconds

1 day = 24 hours

$$v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{x_f - x_i}{\Delta t}$$

$$a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_f - v_i}{\Delta t}$$

$$x = x_o + v_o t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$v = v_o + a t$$

$$v^2 = v_o^2 + 2a(x - x_o)$$

$$\sin \theta = \text{opp/hyp}$$

$$\cos \theta = \text{adj/hyp}$$

$$\tan \theta = \text{opp/adj}$$

$$\vec{g} = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$