P9: Motion Knowledge Organiser (H)

PT61.2

Speed, v	 The distance covered by an object per second. Measured in m/s 	Velocity –Time graph		 A graph that shows how the velocity of an object changes with time. Be careful not to confuse with a distance-time graph- check the y-axis! The gradient shows the acceleration Steeper gradient = bigger acceleration Straight line sloping upwards= positive acceleration Straight line sloping downwards = negative acceleration (deceleration!) Horizontal line = no acceleration → the object is moving at a constant speed Curved line = changing acceleration Area under v-t graph = distance travelled Speed at any given moment on a v-t graph = gradient of tangent drawn at that point on the graph 	
Distance – Time graph	 A graph that shows how the distance covered by an object changes with time. A straight line sloping upwards shows an object is moving at a constant speed. The gradient shows the speed of the object. Steeper gradient = faster object A horizontal line shows the distance isn't changing as time changes → the object is stationary 				
Velocity, v	 The speed in a given direction Velocity is a vector quantity Two objects can have the same speed but different velocities if they are travelling in opposite directions An object moving in a circle can travel at a constant speed but have a changing velocity as the direction is constantly changing 				
Vector	 A quantity that has magnitude and direction Examples: Velocity, force, acceleration, momentum, displacement 			(SEU) Appoint	
Scalar	 A quantity that only has magnitude Examples: energy, time, temperature, speed, distance 	Gradient		$\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ 0\\ 0\\ 1\\ 2\\ 3\\ 1\\ 2\\ 3\\ 1\\ 2\\ 3\\ 1\\ 2\\ 3\\ 1\\ 2\\ 3\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\$	
Displacement, s	The distance travelled in a given direction			 The steepness of a line on a graph. To find the gradient, turn the line into a triangle Gradient = height of triangle, y÷ base of triangle, x 	
Acceleration, a Deceleration	 When an object speeds up. The change in the velocity of an object per second Measured in m/s2 If an object's velocity changes, it accelerates. When an object slows down Represented as negative acceleration 				
		Key Equations To Learn			
		Speed, v	Speed = distance ÷ time v = s ÷ t Acceleration = (Final Velocity – Initial Velocity) ÷ Time		
Final Velocity, v	•The velocity of an object	Acceleration, a			
Initial Velocity, u	 The velocity of an object at the start of the journey Usually 0 m/s! 		a =	$a = (v - u) \div t$	