How can we measure forces?

Skills

Performing and recording results of water resistance, air resistance and friction

Key vocabulary:

levers accelerate

pulleys decelerate

mass spring

air resistance gravity

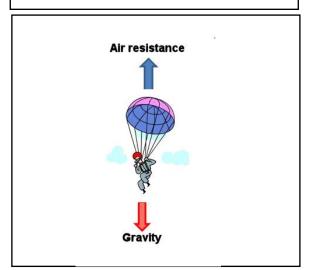
water resistance mechanisms

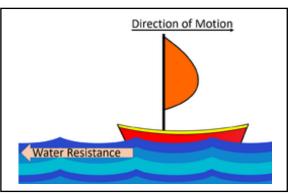
friction variables

surface newton

Working Scientifically:

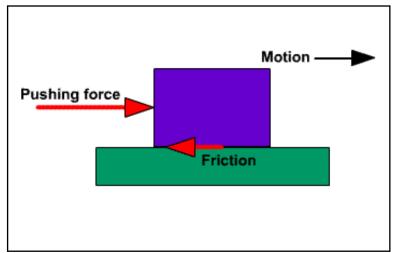
- Plan and perform fair tests
- Record and present results
- Analyse and draw logical conclusions from results





Must—know knowledge:

- Know that unsupported objects fall towards the earth because of the force of gravity.
- Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces.
- Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to



Experiments

- Identify how different surfaces affect the speed of a moving object (friction).
- Explore how air resistance affects moving objects.
- Explore how water resistance affects moving objects.