

**Test 1-2 A: Interactions & Force Diagrams**

- **READ EACH QUESTION carefully** – show all calculations and relevant diagrams.
- **Label all force values** that can be found, and **use congruency marks as needed**.
- For each “CONNECT” symbol, write the page number of the notebook where that skill description or notes section appears.

★ **Assume that air can be ignored in every situation.**

1. The mass of a **block** is 1.2 kg. Calculate the force exerted by Earth on the **block**.

**HINT:** ALWAYS write the general equation first, then substitute, then solve.



CONNECT

Skill 3d, p \_\_\_\_

Skill 2d, p \_\_\_\_

BFM 6, p \_\_\_\_

The block *slows down* as it slides on the floor, due to a 6N friction interaction.

**HINT:** We label friction interactions as:  $F_{\text{On}}(\text{friction})$

c. force diagram with values  
cong. marks? yes no

b. system diagram

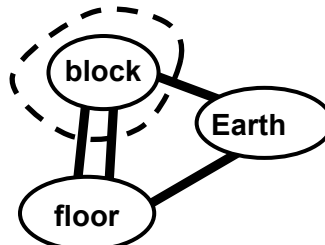


CONNECT

Skill 3c, p \_\_\_\_

BFM 4, p \_\_\_\_

BFM 5, p \_\_\_\_



● block



CONNECT

Skill 3c

BFM 4

BFM 5



2. A person stands on a **ladder** *at rest*, exerting a force of 650N down. The Earth exerts 320N down on the **ladder**, and the ground exerts 970N.

a. system diagram

b. force diagram with values  
cong. marks? yes no

- c. Calculate the mass of the ladder. ( $F_{\text{EarthOnLadder}} = 320\text{N}$ )

● ladder



CONNECT

Skill 3d

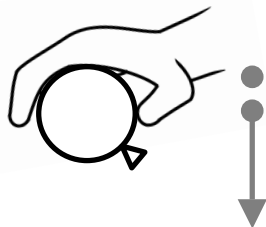
Skill 2d

BFM 6

3. A person throws a water **balloon** down from a roof, and the **balloon** *increases speed downward*.

a. system  
diagram

b. force diagram  
cong. marks? yes no



● balloon

**3c** I can use evidence about motion to determine whether the forces on an object are balanced, and show balanced forces on a force diagram with congruency marks.

Inspiring: MM	Solid: M	Improving: P	Struggling: X
My force arrow lengths suggest the strength of each force.	I use congruency marks to show <b>balanced force whenever motion is constant</b> .	I connected constant motion to balanced force, but <b>made a few mistakes with congruency marks</b> .	My work didn't connect constant motion to balanced force, or I <b>didn't use congruency marks</b> .

**3d** I know the difference between force and mass, and can make calculations involving the force exerted by the Earth on an object that has mass.

Solid: M	Improving: P	Struggling: X
I <b>substituted mass or FEonO into a general equation</b> to solve for the unknown value.	I calculated FEonO from mass, but <b>not the other way around</b> .	I <b>treated force and mass as the same thing</b> , or I used 10N/kg to calculate a force other than FEonO.

**2d** I use algebra correctly when solving problems, first writing a general form, then substituting specific values.

Solid: M	Improving: P	Struggling: X
I write the <b>general equation first</b> , substitute, then solve.	I <b>used the wrong general equation, substituted wrong or made small errors</b> in my algebra steps.	My algebra contained major errors, or I <b>didn't show a general equation</b> at all.

**New Skills:** Look at your feedback (M, P, or X) for each skill, and read the rubric description that connects to the feedback on your work.

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**2d** I use algebra correctly when solving problems, first writing a general form, then substituting specific values.

**Older Skills:** These older skills are also important on this test.

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**3a** Identify interactions

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**2a** Check Multiple Representations

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**3b** Draw Force Diagrams

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**S-N** Use notes