

# Linear motion I

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Take  $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  where necessary.

1. A stone is dropped off the edge of a cliff. How long does it take to fall into the sea 78.4 m below?
2. A car accelerates from  $8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  to  $32 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in 8 seconds. What is the acceleration of the car?
3. While braking from  $50 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  to  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  a train covers a distance of 600 m. What is the deceleration of the train?
4. A stone is thrown vertically upwards. It takes 3 seconds to return to the ground. What was the maximum height reached? (Hint: think about what you know about the motion at the instant when the stone is at its maximum height)
5. A ball is thrown vertically upwards with an initial velocity of  $50 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . How far above the release point is the ball 1 s before falling back?
6. In the electron gun of a TV tube, an electron is accelerated from rest to a speed of  $4.0 \times 10^7 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  over a distance of 20 cm. What is the acceleration?
7. In the summer, a stone takes 2.2 s to fall from the top to the bottom of an empty well. In the winter, the stone takes 0.8 s to enter the water. How deep was the water in the well on the second occasion?
8. A helicopter ascends at a constant speed of  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and drops an object which takes 5 s to hit the ground. What was
  - (a) the speed of the object as it hits the ground,
  - (b) the height of the helicopter when the object was dropped?
9. A sprinter in a 100 m race accelerates uniformly for the first 6 s reaching a speed of  $14.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . If she maintains this speed for the rest of the race, in what time did she complete the race?
10. A lunar landing module is descending to the moon's surface at a steady speed of  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . At a height of 120 m, a small object falls from the craft. Taking the acceleration due to gravity on the moon as  $1.6 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ , at what speed does the object strike the moon?



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