Topic 5 Work Energy Power

Suggested Solutions to Self Review Questions

Qn	Ans	Explanation
S1	D	[H1 2007 P1 Q14] To answer this particular MCQ, we are forced to assume that the mass is travelling at a very slow speed.
		By definition,
		Work done by force $F = F \times displacement$ in the direction of $F = Fz$
		Note that for the mass to start and finish at rest, the force <i>F</i> actually cannot be constant.
S2	С	[NYJC 2011 Prelim P1 Q10] (Note that the graph does not starts at origin!) $a = 10.5/2.0 = 2.5 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ F = ma = 5.0 N s = 0.5 (2)(10+5) = 15 m Work done = $F \times d = 5.0 \times 15 = 75 \text{ J}$
S 3	Α	[H2 2011 P1Q10] Force
		Assuming it obeys Hooke's Law, $F \propto e$ F_2
		Thus $\frac{F_2}{F_1} = \frac{e_2}{F_1}$
		F ₁ e ₁ under force-
		$\frac{250}{200} = \frac{e_2}{0.004}$
		$e_1 e_2$
		$e_2 = 0.005 \text{ m}$
		Extra work done is the area under the force-extension graph from e_1 to e_2 .
		$= \frac{1}{2}(F_1 + F_2)(e_2 - e_1) = \frac{1}{2}(200 + 250)(0.005 - 0.004) = 0.225 \text{ J}$
S 4	Α	H1 2007P1Q15 Since frictional forces are negligible, we can assume that the total mechanical energy is
		conserved. The only energy conversion is gravitational potential energy (GPE) to kinetic energy (KE). The top of the track is the same vertical height above the ground, therefore initial GPE is the same for all 3 cars, hence final KE will be the same.
S5	В	Concept: GPE(in uniform Gravitational field); KE; Conservation of energy
		KE is continuously converted into gravitational potential energy as the particle is on the way up and vice-versa. Hence at B, the KE will be the minimum as the height is maximum.
		Mathematically,
		$E_{\tau} = E_{\kappa} + E_{P}$
		$E_{\tau} = E_{\kappa} + mgh$
		$E_{\kappa} = E_{\tau} - mgh$
		Since E_{τ} , <i>m</i> , and <i>g</i> are constant, minimum E_{κ} is achieved when <i>h</i> is at maximum.

		Alternatively,
		At the maximum height, velocity is only horizontal component of the initial velocity
		$v_{\rm H} = 30 \cos 60^{\circ}$
		Thus $KE = \frac{1}{2} mv^2$ must be minimum.
S6	В	[H1/2012/1/15]
		Since speed is constant, there is no change in KE.
		By conservation of energy,
		$W_{driving} + W_{friction} = \Delta E_P$
		$W_{driving} - Fs = mg \Delta h$
		$W_{driving} - (580)(500) = (1000)(9.81)(87)$
		$W_{driving} = 1.14 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$
		Note: the amount of heat produced is the work done against friction, W = friction x distance.
S7	С	[J77/2/30]
		By conservation of energy,
		Change in kinetic energy = work done by friction
		$\Delta \boldsymbol{E}_{k} = \boldsymbol{W}_{\text{friction}}$
		$0 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = -500000$
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		$\frac{1}{2}(1600)v^2 = 500000$
		$v = 25 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
		Alternatively,
		Loss in kinetic energy of the car = work done against friction (which manifests as heat and
		sound),
		$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - 0 = 500000$
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		$\frac{1}{2}(1600)v^2 = 500000$
		$v = 25 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
S 8	Α	[N1981/P1/Q2]
		After first impact, it rises to a height of $(0.8)h$
		After 3 impacts, it rises to a height of $(0.8)^3h$
		Hence its KE after 3^{rd} = GPE gain after 3^{rd} impact = $mg(0.8)^3h$
S9	С	[J94/1/6]
		Instantaneous power = $\frac{dE}{dt}$ (which is equal to gradient of an <i>E</i> - <i>t</i> graph)
		The maximum instantaneous power corresponds to the steepest part of the graph from t = 2 s to t = 3 s
		$P = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t} = \frac{0.4 - 0.1}{3 - 2} = 0.30 \text{ W}$
S10	D	[NYJC/2007/Prelim/P1/Q10]
		The total resistive force on the car = 600 N
		Power is used to overcome the resistive force to allow the car to travel at constant speed.

		P = Fv
		$25\ 000 = (600)\ v \implies v = 42\ {\rm m\ s^{-1}}$
S11	D	[H1/N2009/1/12]
		For the car to travel at a constant speed, the driving force is equal to the drag force.
		$F = F_D = kv^2$
		Hence,
		Power, $P = Fv = kv^3$
		$\frac{P_1}{P_2} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)^3$
		$\frac{4800}{P_2} = \left(\frac{20}{25}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3$
		$P_2 = 4800 \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 = 9400 \text{ W}$
S12	Α	[J93/1/6]
		Since the metal sphere reached terminal velocity, its KE must have remained constant $(\frac{1}{2}mv^2)$.
		rate of change of GPE = $\frac{dE_{P}}{dt} = \frac{d(mgh)}{dt} = mg\left(\frac{dh}{dt}\right) = mgv$