

**SMD Physics**  
**E Linear motion (II) - Acceleration and Free Fall**

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1. Which is greater, an acceleration from 25km/h to 30km/h or one from 96km/h to 100km/h if both occur during the same time?
2. What is the acceleration of a vehicle that changes its velocity from 100km/h to a dead stop in 10s?
3. A ball is thrown straight up with an initial speed of 30m/s. How high does it go, and how long is it in the air (neglecting air resistance)?
4. What is the instantaneous velocity of a freely-falling object 10s after it is released from a position of rest? What is its average velocity during this 10-s interval? How far will it fall during this time?
5. If there were no air drag, how fast would drops fall from a cloud 1 kilometre above the Earth's surface? (Be glad that raindrops experience air drag in fall!)
6. A ball is thrown vertically upwards, with a velocity of 20m/s. It takes 2s for the ball to rise to its maximum height, at which it stops for an instant.
  - a) What is the acceleration caused by gravity?
  - b) In which direction does it act?The ball falls to the ground, taking a further two seconds to do so.
  - c) With what velocity does it hit the ground? (You can ignore air resistance in answering this question.)
7. A car travels from standing still (0m/s) to 80m/s in 8s. What is its acceleration?
8. A sports car accelerates from 0 to 96km/h in 8.6s.
  - a) What is a velocity of 96km/h in m/s?
  - b) What is the acceleration of the car, in  $\text{m/s}^2$ ?
  - c) How far has the car travelled while accelerating to this velocity?
9. A man drops a stone at the top of a tower. It hits the ground after two seconds. How high is the tower? ( $g \approx 9.81\text{m/s}^2$ )
10. A car accelerates from 0km/h to 80km/h in 6s. What is its acceleration?
11. A tractor accelerates from 0 to 10km/h in 2 seconds. A sports car accelerates from 190km/h to 200km/h in 5 seconds. Which acceleration is greater?
12. A boy drops a stone into a well and claims that it took the stone 4 seconds to hit the water. How deep would the well be in this case?