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Newton's First and Second Laws

This section explains Newton's first and second laws of motion.

Use Target Reading Skills

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The First Law of Motion

- **1.** For an unmoving object to start moving, a(n) ______ has to act on it.
- **2.** What is Newton's first law of motion?

3. What is inertia?

4. What is another name for Newton's first law?

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5. The amount of inertia an object has depends on its

The Second Law of Motion

- 6. What is Newton's second law of motion?
- 7. What is the equation that describes the relationship among the quantities of force, mass, and acceleration?
- 8. Circle the letters of the two answers below that are different names for the same unit of measure.
 - a. m/s^2 **b.** N c. kg \cdot m/s² **d.** 1 kg
- 9. How can you use Newton's second law to find force?
- **10.** What are two ways to increase the acceleration of an object?