

Week 18 Free Fall

4 Up & Down



1. A ball is thrown upward at 30 m/s.
 - a) How long does it take to get to the top?
 - b) How long does it take to come back down from the top?
 - c) How high up did it go?



- • 2. The Toy Projectile Launcher shoots a ball. It takes 2 seconds to get to the top, and 2 seconds to fall back down.
 - a) How fast did it shoot?
 - b) How fast is it going when it comes back down?

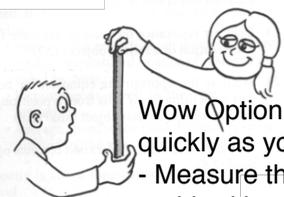
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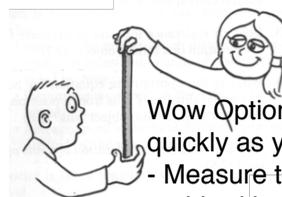
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- Measure the number of centimeters that dropped before you grabbed it.
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