Practice Question Set For GCSE
Subject : Physics
Paper-2 Topic: GCSE Triple Science_Forces (Standard Demand Questions)

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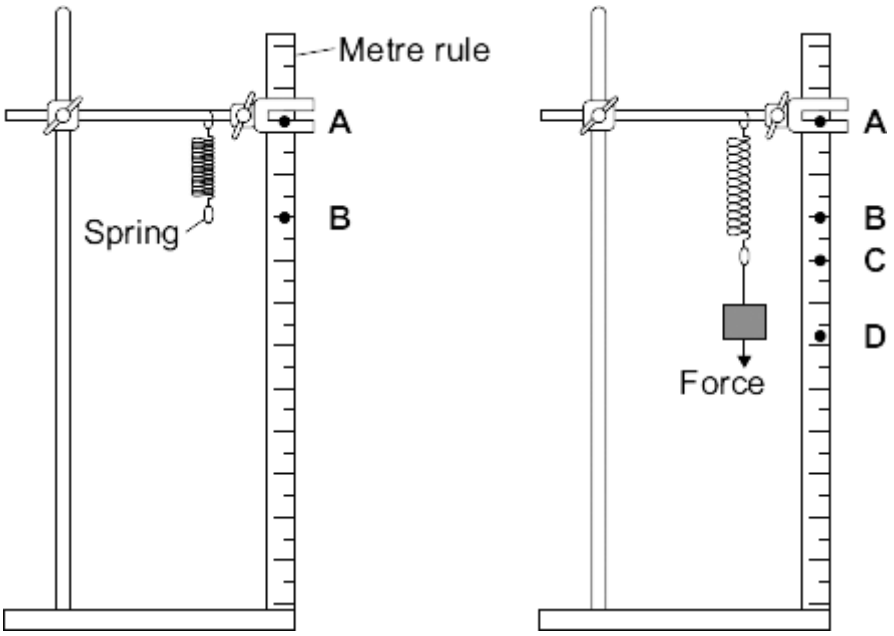
Name of the Student:_____
Max. Marks : 20 Marks **Time : 20 Minutes**

Q1.

A student investigated how the extension of a spring depends on the force applied to the spring.

The diagram shows the spring before and after a force had been applied.



(a) (i) Complete the following sentence using letters, **A**, **B**, **C** or **D**, from the diagram.

The extension of the spring is the distance between the positions labelled

_____and _____ on the metre rule.

(1)

(ii) What form of energy is stored in the stretched spring?

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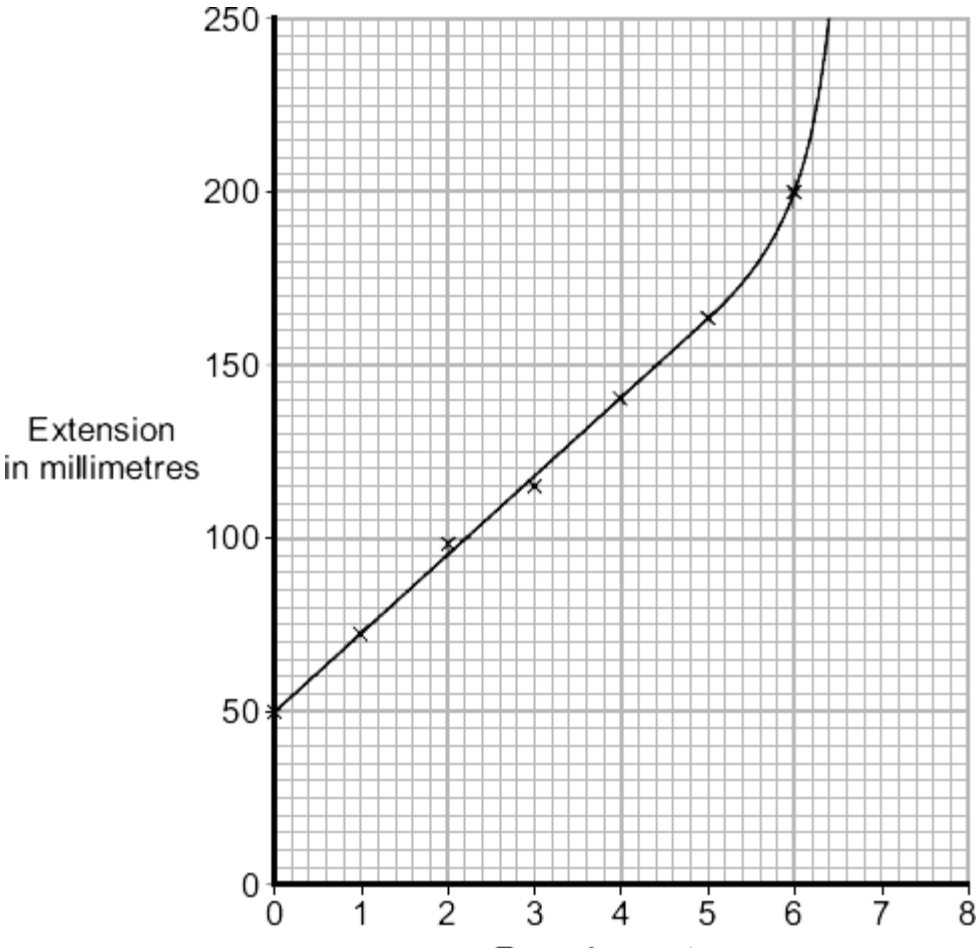
(1)

(b) The results from the investigation are plotted on the following graph.



(i) The graph shows that the student has made an error throughout the investigation.

What error has the student made?

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Give the reason for your answer.

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(2)

(ii) The student has loaded the spring beyond its *limit of proportionality*.

Mark on the graph line the *limit of proportionality* of the spring. Label the point **P**.

Give the reason for choosing your point **P**.

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(2)

(c) The student uses a different spring as a spring balance. When the student hangs a stone from this spring, its extension is 72 mm.

The spring does not go past the limit of proportionality.

Calculate the force exerted by the stone on the spring.

spring constant = 25 N/m

Show clearly how you work out your answer.

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Force = _____ N

(2)

(Total 8 marks)

Q2.

(a) The diagram shows the forces acting on a parachutist in free fall.

The parachutist has a mass of 75 kg.

Calculate the weight of the parachutist.

gravitational field strength = 10 N/kg

Show clearly how you work out your answer and give the unit.

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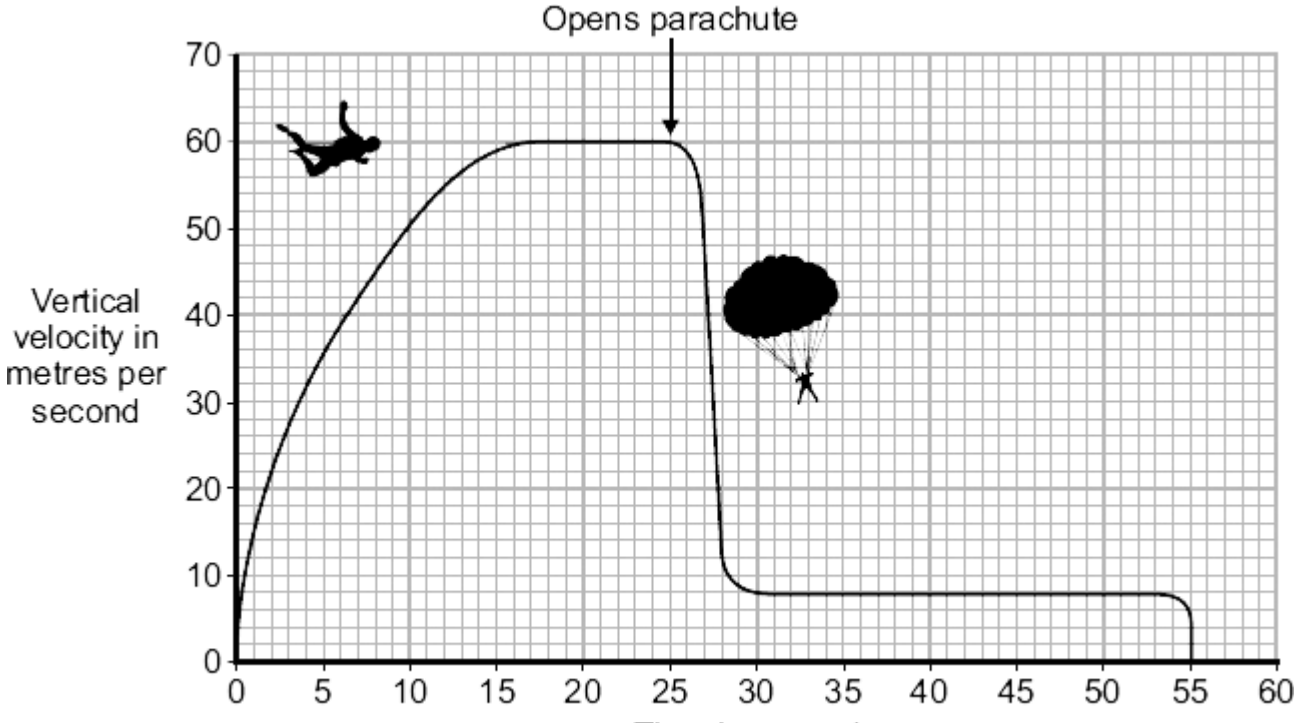
Weight = _____

(3)

(b) *In this question you will be assessed on using good English, organising information clearly and using specialist terms where appropriate.*

The graph shows how the vertical velocity of a parachutist changes from the moment the parachutist jumps from the aircraft until landing on the ground.



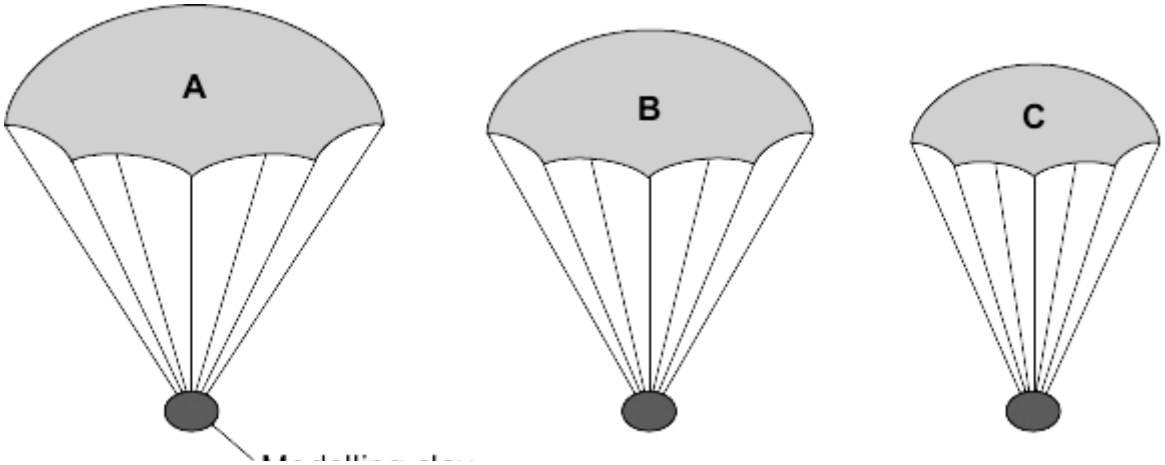
Using the idea of forces, explain why the parachutist reaches a terminal velocity and why opening the parachute reduces the terminal velocity.

(6)

(c) A student wrote the following hypothesis.

'*The larger the area of a parachute, the slower a parachutist falls.'*

To test this hypothesis the student made three model parachutes, **A**, **B** and **C**, from one large plastic bag. The student dropped each parachute from the same height and timed how long each parachute took to fall to the ground.



(i) The height that the student dropped the parachute from was a control variable.

Name **one** other control variable in this experiment.

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(1)

(ii) Use the student's hypothesis to predict which parachute, **A**, **B** or **C**, will hit the ground first.

Write your answer in the box. ☐

Give a reason for your answer.

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(2)

(Total 12 marks)