Lesson 9 - Factors that Affect Speed

Physics - KS3

Forces and Motion

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Which of these forces always act in the opposite direction to movement?

Option 1

Air resistance

Option 3

Upthrust

Option 2

Weight

Option 4

Normal contact force



Which of these forces always act in the opposite direction to movement?

Option 1

Option 2

Tension

Electrostatic

Option 3

Option 4

Water resistance

Weight



Which of the states of matter does drag act in?

Option 1

Solid

Option 3

Gas

Option 2

Liquid



There is no air in space. We call it a vacuum. Is there drag in space?

Option 1

Option 2

Yes

No



Complete the task

Drag

- 1. Name the three forces that act in the opposite direction to the motion.
- 2. When an object experiences drag, what are they travelling through?
- 3. How does drag affect the speed?



When the cyclist crouches down, they have a **smaller** area.

This means the cyclist is more streamlined.

This will decrease the air resistance and the cyclist can travel faster.



Your Turn: Concord was the fastest passenger plane. How did the design help?

The front of the plane has a very _____ area. This means the plane is more _____. This will _____ the air resistance and the plane can travel _____.



Which of these forces always act in the opposite direction to movement?

Option 1

Option 2

Friction

Weight

Option 3

Option 4

Upthrust

Normal contact force



What type of surface will have a large friction?

Option 1

Option 2

Smooth

Straight

Option 3

Option 4

Rough

Curved



Ice is _____ so the friction will be small



Complete the task

Friction

- 1. What type of surface will exert a large friction force?
- 2. What type of surface will exert a small friction force?

