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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the primary purpose of a Free Body Diagram?

Hint: Think about what Free Body Diagrams are used for in physics.

- ◯ A) To calculate the velocity of an object
- ◯ B) To visualize the forces acting on an object
- ◯ C) To measure the mass of an object
- ◯ D) To determine the temperature of an object

Which of the following are typically included in a Free Body Diagram? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the elements that represent forces and their effects.

- ☐ A) Force vectors
- ☐ B) Object's velocity
- ☐ C) Labels for forces
- ☐ D) Object's temperature

Explain what a normal force is and how it is represented in a Free Body Diagram.

Hint: Consider the context of objects in contact with surfaces.

List and briefly describe two types of forces that can act on an object in a Free Body Diagram.

Hint: Think about common forces you encounter in physics.

1. What is gravitational force?

2. What is frictional force?

Part 2: comprehension and Application

In a Free Body Diagram, how is the gravitational force typically represented?

Hint: Consider the direction in which gravity acts.

- ◯ A) As an upward arrow
- ◯ B) As a downward arrow
- ◯ C) As a horizontal arrow
- ◯ D) As a diagonal arrow

Which of the following statements about Free Body Diagrams are true? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Think about the purpose and characteristics of Free Body Diagrams.

- ☐ A) They help in understanding the net force acting on an object.
- ☐ B) They show the internal forces within an object.
- ☐ C) They can include frictional forces.
- ☐ D) They are used to calculate the speed of an object.

Create a Free Body Diagram for a book resting on a table and describe the forces acting on it.

Hint: Consider the forces that are in balance.

Consider a car accelerating on a flat road. Which forces are acting on the car? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Think about the forces that affect a moving vehicle.

- [ ] A) Gravitational force
- [ ] B) Normal force
- [ ] C) Frictional force
- [ ] D) Air resistance

Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

Which of the following best describes the net force acting on an object in equilibrium?

Hint: Consider the balance of forces.

- ◯ A) Greater than zero
- ◯ B) Less than zero
- ◯ C) Equal to zero
- ◯ D) Equal to the object's weight

When analyzing a Free Body Diagram, which factors are important to consider? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Think about the characteristics of the forces involved.

- [ ] A) Direction of each force
- [ ] B) Magnitude of each force
- [ ] C) Color of the arrows
- [ ] D) Length of the arrows

Analyze the forces acting on a pendulum at the highest point of its swing and describe how they interact.

Hint: Consider the forces at play when the pendulum is momentarily at rest.

Which scenario would require reevaluating the forces in a Free Body Diagram?

Hint: Think about changes in motion or conditions.

- ◯ A) An object at rest
- ◯ B) An object moving at constant velocity
- ◯ C) An object accelerating
- ◯ D) An object in free fall

Design a Free Body Diagram for a person pushing a lawnmower across a lawn. Which forces should be included? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the forces acting on the person and the lawnmower.

- ☐ A) Gravitational force
- ☐ B) Normal force
- ☐ C) Applied force
- ☐ D) Frictional force

Propose a real-world scenario where understanding a Free Body Diagram would be crucial, and explain why.

Hint: Think about situations involving forces and motion.