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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the formula for calculating potential energy?

Hint: Think about the factors that contribute to potential energy.

- ◯ PE = mass x velocity
- ◯ PE = mass x gravity x height
- ◯ PE = 0.5 x mass x velocity^2
- ◯ PE = mass x acceleration

Which of the following are examples of potential energy? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider objects that are stored or elevated.

- ☐ A car parked on a hill
- ☐ A rolling ball
- ☐ Water stored in a dam
- ☐ A flying airplane

Explain in your own words what kinetic energy is and provide an example from everyday life.

Hint: Think about moving objects and their energy.

List two factors that affect the amount of kinetic energy an object has.

Hint: Consider what properties of the object influence its motion.

1. Factor 1

2. Factor 2

Part 2: Comprehension and Application

Which statement best describes the Law of Conservation of Energy?

Hint: Think about how energy behaves in a closed system.

- ◯ Energy can be created but not destroyed.
- ◯ Energy can be destroyed but not created.
- ◯ Energy can be transformed from one form to another, but the total amount remains constant.
- ◯ Energy is always lost in transformations.

How does height affect potential energy? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the relationship between height and energy stored.

- ☐ Higher height increases potential energy.
- ☐ Lower height decreases potential energy.
- ☐ Height has no effect on potential energy.
- ☐ Potential energy is inversely proportional to height.

Describe how energy transformation occurs in a swinging pendulum.

Hint: Think about the energy changes as the pendulum moves.

If a 2 kg object is held at a height of 5 meters, what is its potential energy? (Assume g = 9.8 m/s²)

Hint: Use the potential energy formula to calculate.

- ◯ 49 J
- ◯ 98 J
- ◯ 19.6 J
- ◯ 10 J

A roller coaster at the top of a hill has 5000 J of potential energy. As it descends, which of the following statements are true? (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the changes in energy as the coaster moves down.

- ☐ Its potential energy decreases.
- ☐ Its kinetic energy increases.
- ☐ Its total energy increases.
- ☐ Its total energy remains constant.

Calculate the kinetic energy of a 3 kg ball moving at a velocity of 4 m/s.

Hint: Use the kinetic energy formula KE = 0.5 x mass x velocity^2.

Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

Which scenario best illustrates the conversion of potential energy to kinetic energy?

Hint: Think about situations where an object moves from rest to motion.

- ◯ A book resting on a table.
- ◯ A car accelerating on a flat road.
- ◯ A diver jumping off a diving board.
- ◯ A light bulb being turned on.

Analyze the following situations and identify which involve energy transformation. (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider actions that change energy from one form to another.

- [ ] A stretched bow releasing an arrow.
- [ ] A person sitting still.
- [ ] A wind turbine generating electricity.
- [ ] A car parked in a garage.

Compare and contrast potential and kinetic energy in terms of their dependence on mass and velocity.

Hint: Think about how each type of energy is calculated.

Which of the following best evaluates the efficiency of energy transformation in a system?

Hint: Consider what measures the effectiveness of energy use.

- ◯ The amount of energy lost as heat.
- ◯ The speed of energy transformation.
- ◯ The increase in potential energy.
- ◯ The total energy input.

Evaluate the following statements about energy conservation in real-world applications. (Select all that apply)

Hint: Consider the implications of energy use and conservation.

- [ ] Energy-efficient appliances reduce energy waste.
- [ ] Energy can be completely converted to work without any loss.
- [ ] Renewable energy sources help conserve energy.
- [ ] All energy transformations are 100% efficient.

Design a simple experiment to demonstrate the conversion of potential energy to kinetic energy using household items. Describe the setup and expected observations.

Hint: Think about common items that can illustrate energy conversion.