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Part 1: Foundational Knowledge

What is the formula for calculating gravitational potential energy?

Hint: Think about the relationship between mass, height, and gravity.

- ◯ KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2
- ◯ PE = mgh
- ◯ F = ma
- ◯ P = \frac{W}{ t}

Which of the following are types of potential energy?

Hint: Consider different forms of energy that can be stored.

- ☐ Gravitational
- ☐ Kinetic
- ☐ Elastic
- ☐ Chemical

Explain in your own words what kinetic energy is and what factors it depends on.

Hint: Consider the motion of an object and its mass.

List two examples of objects or systems where potential energy is stored.

Hint: Think about objects that can be elevated or compressed.

1. Example 1

2. Example 2

Part 2: comprehension

Which of the following best describes the law of conservation of energy?

Hint: Consider how energy behaves in a closed system.

- ◯ Energy can be created and destroyed.
- ◯ Energy can be transformed from one form to another, but the total energy remains constant.
- ◯ Energy is always lost as heat.
- ◯ Energy is only conserved in closed systems.

When a pendulum swings, which of the following energy transformations occur?

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

- ☐ Kinetic to potential
- ☐ Potential to kinetic
- ☐ Chemical to thermal
- ☐ Elastic to kinetic

Describe how potential energy is converted to kinetic energy in a roller coaster ride.

Hint: Consider the height and speed of the roller coaster.

Part 3: Application and Analysis

A 5 kg object is lifted to a height of 10 meters. What is its gravitational potential energy? (Assume g = 9.8 m/s^2)

Hint: Use the formula PE = mgh to calculate.

- ◯ 49 J
- ◯ 98 J
- ◯ 490 J
- ◯ 980 J

Which scenarios involve the conversion of potential energy to kinetic energy?

Hint: Think about actions that release stored energy.

- ☐ A compressed spring releasing
- ☐ A car accelerating on a flat road
- ☐ A book falling off a shelf
- ☐ A battery powering a flashlight

Calculate the kinetic energy of a 2 kg ball moving at a velocity of 3 m/s.

Hint: Use the formula KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2.

If a pendulum is released from a height, at what point in its swing is its kinetic energy at maximum?

Hint: Consider the position of the pendulum during its swing.

- ◯ At the highest point
- ◯ At the lowest point
- ◯ Halfway down
- ◯ When it stops

Analyze the following scenarios and identify where potential energy is highest:

Hint: Consider the position and state of each object.

- [ ] A roller coaster at the top of a hill
- [ ] A stretched rubber band
- [ ] A moving bicycle
- [ ] A compressed gas in a cylinder

Explain how the conservation of energy principle applies to a swinging pendulum.

Hint: Think about the energy transformations that occur.

Part 4: Evaluation and Creation

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

Hint: Consider how to measure useful energy output.

- ◯ The amount of energy lost as heat
- ◯ The speed of energy transformation
- ◯ The total energy input compared to useful energy output
- ◯ The time taken for energy conversion

Propose ways to maximize the potential energy stored in a system:

Hint: Think about factors that influence potential energy.

- [ ] Increase the height of the object
- [ ] Increase the mass of the object
- [ ] Use a stronger spring
- [ ] Decrease the velocity of the object

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

Hint: Consider simple items that can illustrate energy conversion.