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Scientists define **force** as a **push** or a **pull**. A force is described by its **strength** and **direction** in which it exerts.

A force provides an object with the energy to move, stop moving, or change direction. Newton (N) is the standard unit of measure for force.

Sir Isaac Newton is credited with the development of three laws dealing with the movement of objects.

Newton's 1st Law of Motion

An object at rest tends to stay at rest and an object in motion tends to stay

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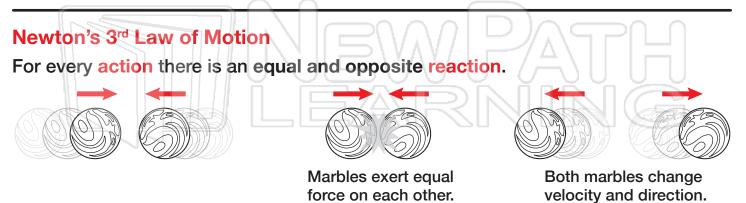
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When the same force is applied to both carts, the acceleration of the empty cart will be greater than the acceleration of the loaded cart.



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gravity

air resistance

Gravity is a type of force that pulls objects toward each other and toward the Earth. The amount of gravitational force depends upon the **mass** of the objects and the **distance** between them.

The acceleration of an object near the surface of the Earth due to gravity is 9.8 m/s². If both the acorn and leaf fall from the tree at the same time, air resistance will slow down the leaf and the acorn will hit the ground first. In a vacuum, both will reach the ground at the same time.

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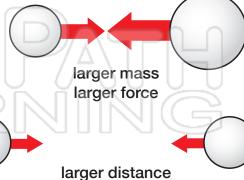
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gravitational force (force of attraction) on other objects. The strength of the gravitational force is dependent upon the mass of the objects and the distance between them. The larger the mass of the objects, the larger the force is between the two objects. The farther away the two objects are, the weaker the gravitational force is between them.

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weaker force

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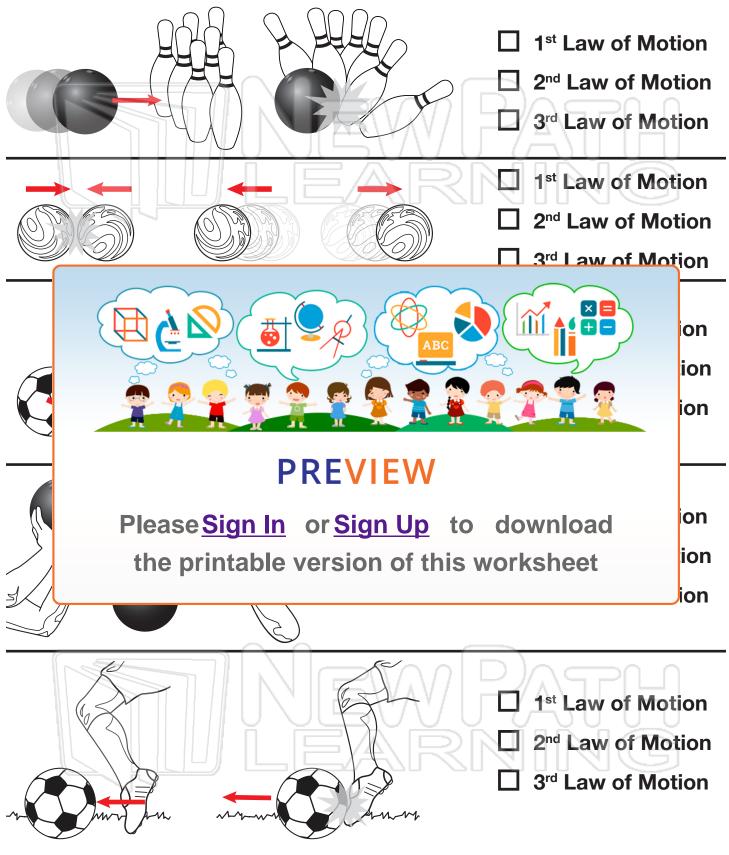
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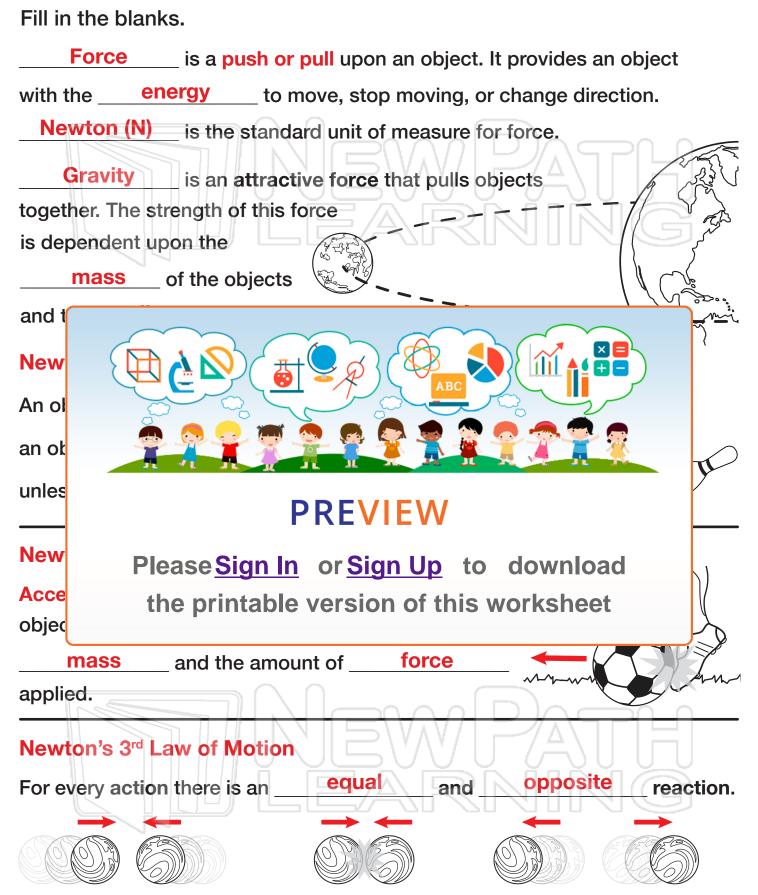
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