## CHAPTER 15: ENERGY KINETIC & POTENTIAL ENERGY

QOD: What is the difference between potential and kinetic energy?

### energy – the ability to do work

- energy is transferred by a force moving an object through a distance
- when work is done on an object, energy is transferred to that object

Example:

# Pushing a box across a table

- kinetic energy –
- <u>the energy of motion</u>
- kinetic energy of any moving object
- <u>depends upon its mass and</u>
   <u>speed</u>

# <u>kinetic energy</u> – <u>EXAMPLE</u> Ball falling from a table



# Gravitational Potential Energy potential energy that

depends on an object's

height, mass, and

acceleration due to gravity

## Gravitational Potential Energy - <u>Example:</u>

• Bike at the top of a hill

## **Elastic Potential Energy**

 the potential energy of an object that is stretched or compressed

### **Example: compressed spring**



# Sound Potential Energy – ability for an object to produce sound after an object's motion

# Example: Vibration of a speaker



# <u>Electromagnetic Potential Energy</u> – <u>ability for electromagnetic</u> <u>waves to radiate energy in</u>

### <u>space</u>

### Example:

# <u>Food warming up in a</u> microwave



# <u>Thermal Potential Energy</u> – <u>ability for an object to</u> <u>produce heat</u>

Example: Tires on a car



Chemical Potential Energy –

# <u>energy stored in the chemical</u> <u>bonds of a substance</u>

Example: Car engine



### **Calculations of KE**

to calculate the kinetic energy of an object

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

• Measured joules (kg  $\cdot$  m<sup>2</sup>/s<sup>2</sup>)

 What is the kinetic energy of a 0.1 kilogram toy truck moving at a speed of 1.1 meters per second?

•KE =  $1/2mv^2$ 

Which runner has the greater kinetic energy: a 46 kilogram runner moving at a speed of 8 meters per second or a 92 kilogram runner moving at a speed of 4 meters per second?
KE = 1/2mv<sup>2</sup>

### **Potential Energy**

#### energy stored as a result of position or shape



A book on a shelf 2.0 meters above the floor has a mass of 1.5 kilograms. What is the gravitational potential energy of the book?
PE = mgh

- Find the mass of a ball on a roof 30 meters high if the ball's gravitational potential energy is 58.8 joules.
- •PE = mgh

#### SIX MAJOR FORMS OF ENERGY

QOD: What is an example of converting energy from one form to another that relates to you life?



- there are six major forms of energy:
  - o mechanical
  - electrical
  - o thermal
  - o chemical
  - o nuclear
  - o electromagnetic
- each form can be converted into other forms of energy

 mechanical energy – the energy associated with the motion and position of everyday objects

- <u>electrical energy</u> the energy associated with electrical charges
- electrical energy can exert forces that do work



- thermal energy the total potential and kinetic energy of all the microscopic particles in an object
- as an object's atoms move faster, its thermal energy increases and the object becomes warmer
- objects that are hot enough can emit light





- which beaker of water has more thermal energy?
- B does, same temperature, but more mass





- chemical energy the energy stored in chemical bonds
- when bonds are broken, the released energy can do work
- all chemical compounds store energy (including fuels)



- nuclear energy the energy stored in atomic nuclei
- nuclear fission releases energy by splitting nuclei apart
- nuclear fusion releases energy when smaller nuclei combine to form a more massive nucleus
  - the heat and light from the sun are produced by the fusion of hydrogen nuclei into helium nuclei

- electromagnetic energy a form of energy that travels through space in the form of waves
  - visible light, x-rays, ultraviolet light, radio waves, infrared and gamma rays
- the sun radiates electromagnetic energy
- electromagnetic energy can travel long distances through space and air



