


**Directed Reading for
Content Mastery**
**Section 2 ■ Acceleration
Section 3 ■ Motion and Forces**

Directions: Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks using the terms listed below.

acceleration
negative

velocity
positive

direction
time

Acceleration occurs when an object's 1. _____ changes. When an object speeds up, it has 2. _____ acceleration. When an object's final velocity is less than its initial velocity, however, it has 3. _____ acceleration. An object that is changing 4. _____ is accelerating, even if its speed remains the same. Acceleration can be calculated by dividing the change in velocity by the 5. _____ interval in which the change occurred. The SI unit of 6. _____ is m/s^2 .

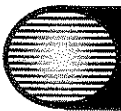
Directions: Match the terms in Column II with the descriptions in Column I. Write the letter of the correct term in the blank at the left.

Column I

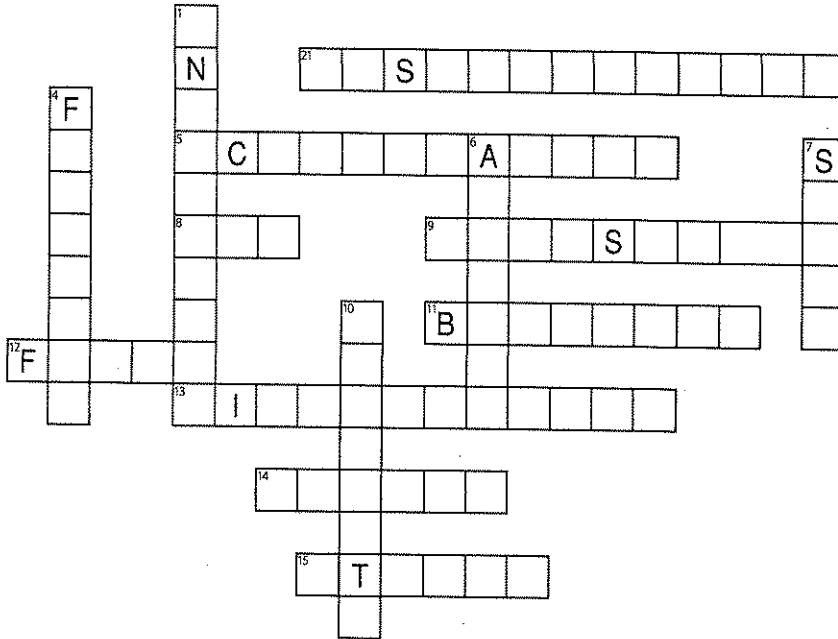
- _____ 7. result in a net force of zero
- _____ 8. force that prevents two forces in contact from sliding past each other
- _____ 9. cause an object's velocity to change
- _____ 10. a push or pull that can change an object's motion
- _____ 11. force that acts in the opposite direction to the motion of a surface sliding on another surface
- _____ 12. the combined force on an object

Column II

- a. force
- b. net force
- c. unbalanced forces
- d. balanced forces
- e. sliding friction
- f. static friction


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**Key Terms
Motion, Acceleration, and Forces**

Directions: Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.


Across

2. Speed at a given instant in time is _____ speed.
5. change in velocity per unit time
8. and 9. _____ causes objects to fall with different accelerations and speeds (two words)
11. forces on an object that are equal in strength but opposite in direction
12. a push or pull that is exerted on an object
13. the distance and direction of an object's final position from its initial position
14. Acceleration is a _____ because it has a size and a direction.
15. Both _____ and sliding friction are forces that oppose the motion of two objects that are in contact.

Down

1. type of force that can change the velocity of an object at rest or in motion
3. Equal, but opposite, forces are said to result in a(n) _____ force of zero.
4. force due to the microwelds that form between two surfaces in contact
6. Total distance traveled divided by the total travel time is _____ speed.
7. distance an object travels per unit time
10. includes both the speed of the object and the direction it is moving