


Assessment Schedule – 2012 Physics: Demonstrate understanding of mechanics (91171)

Question	Achievement	Merit	Excellence					
ONE (a)	Energy							
(b)	Momentum							
(c)	$p_i = p_f$ $65 \times v = 120 \times 5.5$ $v = 10.15$	$mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ $65 \times 9.8 \times h = \frac{1}{2} \times 65 \times 10.15^2$	$h = 5.3 \text{ m}$					
(d)	 Arrow towards centre of circle.							
(e)	Hannah is moving in a circle so there must be a centripetal force on her. OR The centripetal force is provided by the rope (tension).	Hannah is moving in a circle so there must be a centripetal force on her. AND The centripetal force is provided by the rope(tension).	At the lowest point of her swing, the unbalanced force, the centripetal force, is the difference between the tension force acting upwards and the gravity force acting vertically down. It is this unbalanced force that causes her to move in a circle.					
NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
No evidence	1a	2a	3a	4a	1a + 2m	2a + 2m	1a + 2e	2a + 2e

TWO (a)	$\tau_c = \tau_{ac}$ $(2 \times 55 \times 9.8) + (0.5 \times 210) = F \times 3$			$1183 = F \times 3$ $F = 394.3 = 394 \text{ N}$			$F = 394 \text{ N}$ Direction = up		
(b)	390 (2 sig figs) AND Same as the least accurate data.								
(c)	$v_v = 15 \sin 70^\circ$ $v_v = 14.095$			$v_f = v_i + at$ $0 = 14.095 - 9.8t$ $t = \frac{14.095}{9.8}$ $t = 1.4 \text{ s}$					
(d)	Horizontal velocity is 5.1 m s^{-1} to the right. OR Her vertical velocity is zero.			Horizontal velocity is 5.1 m s^{-1} to the right. AND Her vertical velocity is zero. OR One reason to support either 5.1 m s^{-1} or 0 m s^{-1} .			Horizontal velocity is 5.1 m s^{-1} to the right. AND Her vertical velocity is zero. AND There is no horizontal force acting on her, so her horizontal velocity is constant. OR She is constantly being accelerated at 9.8 m s^{-2} downwards. hence her vertical velocity at the top is 0 m s^{-1} .		
NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8	
No evidence	1a	2a	3a	4a	1a + 2m	2a + 2m	2m + 1e	1m + 2e	

THREE (a)	Gravitational PE → Kinetic energy OR Kinetic energy → Elastic PE			Gravitational PE → Kinetic energy AND Kinetic energy → Elastic PE				
(b)(i)	The force is upwards.							
(b)(ii)	If the rope is too tight, this will decrease her stopping time. OR The size of force increases. OR The size of her deceleration increases.			If the rope is too tight this will decrease her stopping time and so increase the size of the force acting on her. OR A shorter stopping time will increase the size of her deceleration.			If the rope is too tight this will decrease her stopping time. AND $\Delta p = F\Delta t$, the rope tension does not affect Δp . So a shorter stopping time will increase the size of the upward force acting on her. OR A shorter stopping time will increase the size of her deceleration. $F = ma$ and m is constant. So, a larger deceleration requires a larger upward force on her.	
(c)	$F = mg$ and $F = kx$ $55 \times 9.8 = k \times 0.60$			$k = 898.3$			$E = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$ $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 898.3 \times 0.60^2$ $E = 160 \text{ J}$	
NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
No evidence	1a	2a	3a	4a	1a + 2m	3m or 2m + 2a	2m + 1e Or 1a + 2e	1m + 2e

FOUR (a)	$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{F_H}{55}$ $F_H = 55 \cos 30$ $F_H = 47.6 = 48 \text{ N}$							
(b) (i)	If the trolley is in equilibrium the net force is zero. OR Forces are balanced. OR Net torque is zero. OR Velocity is constant.			If the trolley is in equilibrium the net force is zero OR Forces are balanced. AND Net torque is zero.	If the trolley is in equilibrium the net force is zero OR Forces are balanced. AND Net torque is zero. AND This means that velocity is constant or acceleration is zero (NOT $v=0$).			
b(ii)	Force to the right labelled Friction or traction OR Grip OR Thrust. OR Force to the left labelled push force OR similar.			Force to the right labelled Friction or traction OR Grip OR Thrust. AND Force to the left labelled push force OR similar.				
(c)	By decreasing the angle between the handle and the floor.			By decreasing the angle between the handle and the floor. AND This increases the horizontal force.	By decreasing the angle between the handle and the floor. AND This increases the horizontal force causing the horizontal force to become unbalanced. AND This will result in acceleration. $\{ (a = \frac{F}{m}) \text{ and } m \text{ is constant} \}.$			
NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
No evidence	1 a	2a	3a	4a	3a + 1m	2a + 2m	2m+1e Or 1a + 2e	1m +2e

Judgement Statement

	Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Score range	0 – 8	9 – 17	18 – 24	25 – 32