Lunsford Primary School — Science	Topic: Forces	Strand: Physics	Year 5

Linked scientists

Isaac Newton — Mathematician and physicist who developed theories about gravity

Archimedes — Mathematician who developed theories about how levers and pulleys can lift and move heavy objects

Key Vocabulo	Key Vocabulary					
air	Force that causes an object to slow down					
resistance	when it is moving through the air					
attract	When an object, usually a metal object made					
	of iron, is pulled towards a magnet . Opposite					
	poles of a magnet attract each other					
buoyancy	The ability of objects to float in water or air					
exert	When something is moved via a force					
force	A force is a push or pull. To make an					
	object move, a force must be applied to it					
friction	Force between two surfaces that rub together.					
	It slows down moving objects					
gears	They are wheels with teeth that slot together,					
	which causes one part to move the other					
gravity	Force that pulls objects towards Earth. On a					
	rollercoaster, pulls the carriage faster on the					
	downhill slopes and slows it down on the uphill					
	parts of the ride					
lever	A basic tool used to lift or pry things open					
mechanisms	Part of a machine or a number of parts					
	that work together to create movement					
pulley	A mechanism used to make lifting a load					
	easier. Usually a rope looped around one or					
	more wheels					
streamlined	A streamlined vehicle, animal or object has a					
	shape that allows it to move more efficiently					
	through air or water					
surface	The flat top or outside of an object					
water	Force that slows things down when they're					
resistance	moving through water					

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What are forces?	Pushing force Attract S N Attract						
•	Repel S N S						
	Forces are pushes and pulls.						
	Forces act in opposite directions to each other.						
	They cause objects to move, stop, speed up, slow						
	down or change direction. Magnets can attract or repel each other, or other materials.						
	When an object moves across a surface, friction acts as an opposite force. Friction is a force that holds back the motion of an object— it is the resistance of motion when one objects moves against another. Some surfaces create more friction than others which means that objects move slower across them.						
What is	Gravity is the force that pulls everything towards the Earth						
gravity and air	and acts at distance.						
resistance?	Isaac Newton demonstrated that gravity causes objects to fall to						
	Earth.						
	Larger objects have greater gravitational force. Air recistance pushes up on the parachute enposing the force of						
	The resistance pasties up on the paracrate, opposing the jorce of						
	gravity. The greater the surface area of the parachute, the slower the object will fall.						
What is water	Water resistance is the friction that is created between water and an object that is moving through human pushing force						
resistance?	it — it slows the object down.						
	Some objects can move through water with less resistance if they are streamlined .						
	water resistance						
Show that some mechanisms	Simple machines work by turning small forces into larger ones.						
help smaller	Gears, levers, cams and pulleys can be used to help do this.						
forces have a							
greater effect							
	pulley spring						