## Solutions to Physics Practice Test 14 A

## Problem \#1

The answer to item \#2 can be found using $\mathrm{W}=\mathrm{mg}=(6 \mathrm{Kg})\left(10 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)=60 \mathrm{~N}$. The tension in rope \#2 must exactly cancel the weight of the hanging object. Now, a free-body diagram of the ropes at the junction can be drawn.


From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{Y}}: \mathrm{T}_{3} \sin 50.2-60=0$

$$
\mathrm{T}_{3}=60 / \sin (50.2)=78.1 \mathrm{~N}
$$

From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}}: \mathrm{T}_{1}-\mathrm{T}_{3} \cos (50.2)=0$

$$
\mathrm{T}_{1}-\{78.1\} \cos (50.2)=0
$$

$$
\mathrm{T}_{1}=50 \mathrm{~N}
$$

Problem \#2
The following free-body diagram can be constructed from the given information.


From $\Sigma F_{Y}: \mathbf{n}-68 N-176 N=0$

$$
\mathbf{n}=244 \mathrm{~N}
$$

From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}}: 176 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=0$

$$
\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=176 \mathrm{~N}
$$

From $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=\mu \mathrm{n}$ we can substitute values-

$$
\mu=\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}} / \mathrm{n}=176 \mathrm{~N} / 244 \mathrm{~N}=0.721
$$

When the initial applied force is removed and a horizontal applied force is used the normal force will change to a value of $\mathbf{n}=68 \mathrm{~N}$ but $\mu=0.721$ as before. Now using $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=\mu \mathbf{n}$ $=0.721(68 \mathrm{~N})=49 \mathrm{~N}$

Problem \#3
Since the block slides "up" the incline then force of friction points "down" the ramp as shown in free-body diagram.


From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\perp}: \mathbf{n}-222.5 \mathrm{~N}=0 \therefore \mathbf{n}=$ 222.5 N

From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\|}: 219 \mathrm{~N}-90 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=0$

$$
\therefore \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=129 \mathrm{~N}
$$

From $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=\mu \mathbf{n}$ and substitution we get

$$
\mu=\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}} / \mathbf{n}=129 \mathrm{~N} / 222.5 \mathrm{~N}=0.580
$$

If the block moves down the incline at constant speed the 90 N part of the weight is pulling down on the block. The force of friction would reverse direction however. Since the normal force is still the same then the amount of friction is also still the same, 129 N . The 90 N part of the weight cannot compensate for all of the friction. You would have to supply an additional 39 N of force. See the figure below:

129N


From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\|}: \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{AP}}+90 \mathrm{~N}-129 \mathrm{~N}=0$
$\therefore \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{AP}}=39 \mathrm{~N}$ down the ramp

## Problem \#4

The free-body diagram of the intersection of cables can be constructed from the given information. Note that the tension in cable \#3 is given. The $x$ and y parts of that tension are also shown.


Items \#14 and \#15 can be answered directly from the diagram. The tension in cable \#2 can be found from the horizontal forces equation.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { From } \Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}}: 270 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{T}_{2} \cos (64.3)=0 \\
270 \mathrm{~N}=\mathrm{T}_{2} \cos (64.3) \\
\mathrm{T}_{2}=270 \mathrm{~N} / \cos (64.3)=623 \mathrm{~N}
\end{gathered}
$$

The tension in the vertical cable can be found using the forces in the $y$-direction equation after you substitute the correct value for $\mathrm{T}_{2}$.

From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{Y}}: 240+\mathrm{T}_{2} \sin (64.3)-\mathrm{T}_{1}=0$

$$
\begin{gathered}
240+\{623\} \sin (64.3)=\mathrm{T}_{1} \\
801 \mathrm{~N}=\mathrm{T}_{1}
\end{gathered}
$$

Since cable \#1 is supporting the hanging mass, M ?, then the tension in that cable must be exactly equal to the weight. Using $\mathrm{W}=\mathrm{mg}$ we can determine mass. $\mathrm{m}=\mathrm{W} / \mathrm{g}=801 \mathrm{~N} / 10 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}=8.01 \mathrm{Kg}$

Note that on the test you will have one of these problems. I do not know if I will give you a tension and ask for the weight or if I will give you a weight and ask for tensions. Be prepared for either.

## Problem \#5

The first line indicates that the box is being "lowered". This is critical in recognizing that the friction force will act in a direction "up the ramp". In other words somebody is pushing on this object in order to prevent it from coming down the ramp too quickly. The diagram of the forces is shown below.


Item \#19 can be answered directly from the diagram. Item \#18 is found from summing the forces perpendicular to the surface.
From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\perp}: \mathbf{n}-160 \mathrm{~N}-100 \mathrm{~N}=0$

$$
\mathrm{n}=260 \mathrm{~N}
$$

Item \#17 is found by summing the forces parallel to the surface of the incline.

From $\Sigma \mathrm{F}_{\|}: 240 \mathrm{~N}-67 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=0$

$$
\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}}=173 \mathrm{~N}
$$

It is a coincidence that this is also the applied force.
Item \#20 is found from $F_{f}=\mu n$.

$$
\mu=\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{f}} / \mathbf{n}=173 \mathrm{~N} / 260 \mathrm{~N}=0.665
$$

To move the block up hill at constant speed by pushing parallel to the surface you would have to overcome a gravity force of 240 N and a friction force of 66.5 N or a total of 306.5 N parallel and up the ramp. Note that friction changed here because we changed the direction of the push and reduced normal force to 100 N .

Physics Practice Test 14 B Name $\qquad$

A 3 Kg object is hung as shown in the diagram below. The string labeled as \#3 forms a $18.4^{\circ}$ angle with the horizontal.


1. The tension in line \#1 is $\qquad$ N.
a) 50
b) 60
c) 70
d) 80
e) 90
2. The tension in line \#2 is $\qquad$ N .
a) 30
b) 40
c) 50
d) 60
e) 70
3. The tension in line \#3 is $\qquad$ N.
a) 67.5
b) 78.1
c) 89.4
d) 94.9
e) 106.3

A 13.3 Kg block is placed on a level surface. An applied force of 93.7 N at $49.2^{\circ}$ below the horizontal moves the block at constant speed.

4. The coefficient of kinetic friction is
a) 0.16
b) 0.30
c) 0.44
d) 0.58
e) 0.72
5. The normal force is $\qquad$ N.
a) 164
b) 204
c) 244
d) 284
e) 324
6. The force of friction is $\qquad$ N.
a) 35.8
b) 61.2
c) 95.1
d) 125
e) 176
7. To move the block sideways at constant speed over the same surface requires a horizontal applied force of
$\qquad$ Newtons.
a) 25
b) 32
c) 40
d) 49
e) 59

## Test 104B (continued)

A 10.3 kg block is placed on a $29^{\circ}$ inclined plane. A 113 N applied force parallel to the surface of the incline moves the block up at constant speed.

8. The normal force acting on the block is $\qquad$ N .
a) 90.1
b) 125.9
c) 206.3
d) 222.5
e) 448.0
9. The coefficient of friction between
block and incline is $\qquad$ .
a) 0.23
b) 0.42
c) 0.58
d) 0.70
e) 0.85
10. The force of friction is $\qquad$ N .
a) 63.1
b) 107.1
c) 129.1
d) 175.4
e) 188.2
11. To move the block down the incline at constant speed would require a force of __ N parallel to the incline.
a) 13.2
b) 25.5
c) 39.2
d) 52.6
e) 68.2

An unknown mass is hanging in the figure below. The tension in cable \#3 is 416.2 N . Cable \#3 forms an angle of $54.8^{\circ}$ with the horizontal. Cable \#2 forms an angle of $47.3^{\circ}$ with the horizontal.

12. The unknown mass is ___ Kg .
a) 50
b) 60
c) 70
d) 80
e) 90
13. The tension in cable \#2 is $\qquad$ N .
a) 241
b) 354
c) 469
d) 506
e) 622
14. The horizontal component of the tension in cable \#3 is $\qquad$ N .
a) 180
b) 210
c) 240
d) 270
e) 300
15. The vertical part of the tension in cable \#3 is $\qquad$ N .
a) 140
b) 240
c) 340
d) 440
e) 540
16. Tension in the vertical cable is $\qquad$ N.
a) 500
b) 600
c) 700
d) 800
e) 900

A 26 kg box is lowered from the top of an inclined plane. The incline has been raised $67.4^{\circ}$ from the horizontal. An applied force of 130 N parallel to the ground and toward the incline acts to lower the box at constant speed.

17. The force of friction acting on the block is about $\qquad$ N.
a) 100
b) 148
c) 173
d) 182
e) 190
18. The normal force acting on the block is about $\qquad$ N .
a) 200
b) 220
c) 240
d) 260
e) 280
19. The part of the applied force parallel to the incline is $\qquad$ N .
a) 50
b) 58
c) 60
d) 67
e) 96
20. The kinetic coefficient of friction is
a) 0.37
b) 0.50
c) 0.67
d) 0.76
e) 0.86

1. e
2. a
3. d
4. b
5. b
6. b
7. c
8. a
9. d
10. a
11. a
12. b
13. b
14. c
15. c
16. b
17. e
18. b
19. a
20. e
