

## POWER

**POWER** = The **RATE** at which **Work** is done.  
So **work** divided by time is **power**.

$$P = \frac{W}{t}$$

The Unit is **Joules/Second**

This has been named the **watt**, (for **James Watt**) and has the abbreviation **W**.

1 kilowatt (kW) = 1000 Watts

1 horsepower (hp) = 746 Watts

## POWER

Remember:  $W = Fd$

$$P = \frac{Fd}{t} = \frac{F}{t} d = Fv$$

During Acceleration,  $\Sigma W = \Delta KE$ :

$$P = \frac{\Sigma W}{t} = \frac{\Delta KE}{t} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} m v_f^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_i^2}{t}$$

## POWER

If an Object is moving Vertically,  
**POWER** = The Time Rate at which  $PE_G$  is changing:

$$P = \frac{\Delta PE_G}{t} = \frac{mgh}{t} = \frac{mgh}{t} = mgv$$

## POWER

If an Object is moving against Friction on a Level Surface, **POWER** to overcome Friction:

$$P = \frac{W_{FR}}{t} = \frac{mg \mu d}{t} = \frac{mg \mu d}{t} = mg \mu v$$

If an Object is moving against Friction on an Incline, **POWER** to overcome Friction:

$$P = \frac{W_{FR}}{t} = \frac{mg \mu d \cos \theta}{t} = \frac{mg \mu d \cos \theta}{t} = mg \mu v \cos \theta$$

## POWER

A 2000 kg car starts from rest and accelerates to a final speed of 25 m/s in 15 seconds. What was the power output of the car?

$$P = W/t = \Delta KE / t$$

$$P = (1/2 m v_f^2 - 1/2 m v_i^2) / t$$

$$P = [ \frac{1}{2} 2000 \text{kg} (25 \text{ m/s})^2 - \frac{1}{2} 2000 \text{kg} (0 \text{ m/s})^2 ] / 15 \text{ sec}$$

$$P = \underline{41,667 \text{ watts}}$$

## POWER

A 30 kg gazelle uses 900 watts to jump up 8 meters. What was its speed?

$$P = mgv$$

$$900 \text{ watts} = (30 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)v$$

$$\underline{3.06 \text{ m/s}} = v$$