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Student Sheet 8.1a

How Much Work Was Done?

Directions Complete this sheet as directed in the Procedure for Inquiry 8.1.

Table 1 Calculating the Work Done on Different Surfaces

Surface	Effort Force (N)	Effort Distance (m)	Work Done
Tabletop			
Waxed paper			
Paper towel			
Fine sandpaper			
Coarse sandpaper			

- Over which surface did you do the most work when you pulled the block?
- Over which surface did you do the least work when you pulled the block?

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Student Sheet 8.1b

Thinking About Work and Force

Directions Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

1. What force are you working against when you lift a backpack?
2. In which of the following cases is work, as defined by scientists, being done?
 - A. Someone tries to move a piano, but the piano won't budge.
 - B. A tow truck is pulling a car slowly along the street.
 - C. A student is studying for a mathematics exam.
 - D. A student is pushing a grocery cart around the store.
 - E. Another student is standing in line holding a 12-N bag of potatoes.
 - F. A student pushes against the school building.
3. If you lift a bag that weighs 15 N a distance of 2 m, how much work have you done?
4. If a cement block that weighs 50 N must be raised to a height of 5 m, how much work must be done on the block?
5. How much work do you do when you climb a flight of stairs 4 m high? Remember to use your weight in newtons (1 lb = 4.45 N).

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Lifting a Load

Directions Answer the questions as directed in the Procedure for Inquiry 8.2.

1. Motor force with three batteries in series: _____

2. Work done by a motor when it lifts a load 10.0 cm (0.10 m)

$$\text{Work} = \text{_____} \times \text{_____} = \text{_____}$$

3. Weight of two washers: _____

4. Work to raise two washers 10.0 cm (0.10 m):

$$\text{Work} = \text{_____} \times \text{_____} = \text{_____}$$

5. Your estimate of the sled's weight:

6. Sled's actual weight:

7. Work to lift sled 10.0 cm (0.10 m):

$$\text{Work} = \text{_____} \times \text{_____} = \text{_____}$$