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I. OBJECTIVE-TYPE QUESTIONS

- Which of the following makes it easier to move a drum of 10 kg?
 - Dragging the drum.
 - Lifting the drum.
 - Rolling the drum.**
 - All the above actions need the same effort.
- If a man is walking, then the direction of friction is:
 - Opposite to the direction of motion.
 - Same as the direction of motion**
 - Perpendicular to the direction of motion.
 - 45° to the direction of motion
- The image shows a person rowing a boat over a river.



identify the number of bodies experiencing friction.

- 1, boat because of the river
- 1, boat because of the person
- 2, boat because of the river and the person because of the air
- 2, boat because of air and river and the person because of air**

4. A student rolls a marble on two different surfaces with the same force. The table shows the distance travelled in each trial

TRIAL	SURFACE	DISTANCE TRAVELLED
1	GLASS FLOOR	200cm
2	CARPETED FLOOR	75cm

Why does the marble travel a greater distance on a glass floor but not on a carpeted floor?

- because the mass of the marble on the glass floor is high
- because the mass of the marble on a carpeted floor is high
- because interlocking between the surface of marble and glass floor is high
- because interlocking between the surface of marble and the carpeted floor is high**

5. John experimented to find out how different surfaces (P, Q, R and S) affect the distance a car travelling at 50 km/h needed to stop once the brakes are applied. The results are shown below:

Types of surface	P	Q	R	S
Stopping distance (m)	18	15	19	27

Which type of road will provide the most friction for the car to stop?

- a) P
- b) Q
- c) R
- d) S

6. In the decreasing order of magnitude, which of the following is correct?

- a. Rolling < static < sliding friction
- b. Static > sliding > rolling friction**
- c. Static > rolling > sliding friction
- d. Sliding < static < rolling friction

For the following questions, two statements are given- one labelled Assertion (A) and the other labelled Reason (R). Select the correct answer to these questions from the codes (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) as given below

- i) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of the assertion.*
- ii) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of the assertion.*
- iii) A is true but R is false.*
- iv) A is false but R is true*

7. **Assertion (A):** Friction increases with an increase in mass.

Reason (R): A rough surface has more irregularities than a smooth surface.

8. **Assertion (A):** The streamlined shape of birds and fishes does not help them move easily in fluids.

Reason(R): This streamlined shape helps in overcoming drag without spending much energy.

9. **Assertion (A):** We do not slip when we walk on a wet floor.

Reason(R): The water forms a thin layer between the feet and the floor and decreases friction.

10. **Assertion (A):** Wheels are said to be one of the greatest inventions of mankind.

Reason(R): Wheels decrease friction and make the movement of things easier.

II. VERY SHORT QUESTIONS (2M):

1. Is it possible to reduce friction to zero by polishing surfaces or using lubricants? Explain.

2. When the cutting edge of a knife is put against a fast-rotating stone to sharpen it, sparks are seen to fly. Explain the reason.
3. What is drag? State the factors affecting friction on an object in a fluid
4. Define lubricants. Give two examples of lubricants
5. Give a reason-
 - a. An aeroplane has a streamlined shape. [
6. Grooves are provided in the soles of shoes. When does static friction come into play? b. Explain why, it is easier to drag a mat on the floor when nobody is sitting on it but much more difficult to drag the same mat when a person is sitting on it

III. SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS: (3M)

1. Explain the construction and working of a spring balance?
2. Two blocks of iron of different masses such as 1 unit and 2 units are kept on a cemented floor. Which one of them would require a larger force to move it from the rest position?
3. Explain the advantages of using ball bearings by citing examples
4. Give reasons
 - a) The jar of a mixer becomes hot if it is run for a few minutes. [friction produces heat]
 - b) A pencil will write on paper but not on the glass.



IV. Sometimes when you wash utensils, they slip from your hand LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS. (5M)

1. Give three examples each where friction is a disadvantage and where it is useful.
2. Describe two ways each of reducing friction and increasing friction.

V. CASE STUDY-BASED QUESTIONS

Read the passage and answer the following questions:

Friction is a force between two surfaces that are sliding, or trying to slide, across each other. Friction always works in the direction opposite to the direction in which the object is moving, or trying to move. It always slows a moving object down. Friction also produces heat. If you rub your hands together quickly, you will feel them get warmer. Friction can be a useful force because it prevents our shoes from slipping on the pavement when we walk and stops car tyres from skidding on the road. When you walk, friction is caused between the tread of shoes and the ground. This friction acts to grip the ground and prevent sliding. Sometimes we want to reduce friction. For example, we use oil to reduce the friction between the moving parts inside a car engine. In many machines, friction is reduced by using ball bearings. The reduced friction means there is less wear on the

moving parts and less heat produced.

i) When does friction arise?

ii) Why should we apply oil on the hinges of the door?

iii) Gymnasts apply some coarse substance on their hands. Why

iv) Explain why sportsmen use shoes with spikes.