

Upton Chuck is riding the Giant Drop at Great America. If Upton free falls for 2.60 seconds, what will be his final velocity and how far will he fall?

- Givens

- $T = 2.6 \text{ sec}$
- $V_i = 0 \text{ m/s}$

- Unknown

- $V_f$
- $D$

- Equation

- $V_f = g \times t$
- $D = .5 \times g \times t^2$

- Substitute

- $V_f = -10 \text{ m/s}^2 \times 2.6 \text{ sec}$
- $D = .5 \times (-10 \text{ m/s}^2) \times (2.6 \text{ sec})^2$

- Answer

- $V_f = -26 \text{ m/s}$  (downwards)
- $D = -33.8 \text{ m}$

If Michael Jordan has a vertical leap of 1.29 m, then what is his takeoff speed and his hang time (total time to move upwards to the peak and then return to the ground)?

- Givens

- $D = 1.29 \text{ m}$

- Unknown

- $T$

- $V_i$

- Equation

- $D = .5 \times g \times t^2$

- $V_f = V_i + g(t)$

- Substitute

- $1.29\text{m} = .5 \times (-10\text{m/s}^2) \times (t)^2$

- $.258 = t^2$

- $0 \text{ m/s} = V_i + (-10\text{m/s}^2)(.5\text{sec})$

- $0 \text{ m/s} = V_i + (-5 \text{ m/s})$

- Answer

- $T = .5 \text{ sec (up)} = 1.02 \text{ sec (up and down)}$

- $V_i = 5 \text{ m/s}$

A baseball is popped straight up into the air and has a hang-time of 6.25 s. Determine the height to which the ball rises before it reaches its peak. (Hint: the time to rise to the peak is one-half the total hang-time.)

- Givens

- $T$  (up + down) = 6.25 sec
- $T$  (up) = 3.125 sec

- Unknown

- $D$

- Equation

- $D = .5 \times g \times t^2$

- Substitute

- $D = .5 \times (-10\text{m/s}^2) \times (3.125 \text{ sec})^2$

- Answer

- $D = 48.8 \text{ m}$
- $V_f = g \times t$
- $V_f = -10\text{m/s}^2 (3.125 \text{ sec})$
- $V_f = -31.25 \text{ m/s}$