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Your Mission to Mars: The Kinematics Flight Path Challenge for 6th Grade

Calculate orbital shifts and rover velocity to ensure your mission lands safely on the Red Planet using advanced motion analysis.

1. A rover travels 20 meters North to collect a rock sample, then 20 meters South to return to its lander. What is the rover's total displacement?

- A. 40 meters North
- B. 0 meters
- C. 20 meters
- D. 40 meters total distance

2. A falcon dives at a constant 40 m/s toward its prey. This measurement is considered ____ because it specifies both speed and a specific path.

- A. Acceleration
- B. Displacement
- C. Velocity
- D. Inertia

3. If a satellite is orbiting Earth at a constant speed in a circular path, it is still technically accelerating.

- A. True
- B. False

4. You observe a graph where the line is perfectly horizontal on a Velocity vs. Time plot. What does this indicate about the object's motion?

- A. The object has stopped moving.
- B. The object is speeding up at a constant rate.
- C. The object is moving at a constant velocity with zero acceleration.
- D. The object is returning to its starting position.

5. An Olympic sprinter increases their speed from 0 m/s to 12 m/s over a span of 3 seconds. Their ____ is 4 m/s².

- A. Average Velocity
- B. Total Displacement
- C. Instantaneous Speed
- D. Acceleration

6. A maglev train travels 300 km West in 2 hours. What is its average velocity?

- A. 150 km/h
- B. 150 km/h West
- C. 600 km/h West

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D. 300 km/h West

7. An object can have a high speed but a velocity of zero if it moves in a complete circle and ends where it started.

- A. True
- B. False

8. The slope of a 'Position vs. Time' graph represents the ____ of the object.

- A. Velocity
- B. Acceleration
- C. Distance
- D. Force

9. A deep-sea probe is lowered at a rate of 5 meters per second. After 10 seconds, it stops. During the stop, its acceleration was:

- A. Positive (speeding up)
- B. Zero (constant motion)
- C. Negative (deceleration)
- D. 50 meters

10. Kinematics focuses on the math of 'how' things move, whereas Dynamics focuses on 'why' (forces) they move.

- A. True
- B. False