# Unit # 6 Work and Energy

## Application & Friction

Conservation of Energy & Power

Big Idea: Energy can change form one form to another, but the total amount of energy in the universe stays the same.

### **Essential Questions:**

- How is work done?
- How does the work done on an object affect its kinetic energy?
- What determines how much potential energy an object has?
- When is mechanical energy conserved?
- How is power related to the rate at which work is done and how is it related to speed?
- How is work in Physics different from work in ordinary life?
- How does everyday life relate to the Conservation of Energy?
- What is the relationship between potential and kinetic energy?
- Where does "most" energy end up after its final transformation?

# Vocabulary:

work joule kinetic energy potential energy mechanical energy Conservation of Energy Law

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

HS-PS1-2. Construct and revise an explanation for the outcome of a simple chemical reaction based on the outermost electron states of atoms, trends in the periodic table, and knowledge of the patterns of chemical properties. [Clarification Statement: Examples of chemical reactions could include the reaction of sodium and chlorine, of carbon and oxygen, or of carbon and hydrogen.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to chemical reactions involving main group elements and combustion reactions.]

HS-PS2-2. Use mathematical representations to support the claim that the total momentum of a system of objects is conserved when there is no net force on the system. [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the quantitative conservation of momentum in interactions and the qualitative meaning of this principle.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to systems of two macroscopic bodies moving in one dimension.]

- Create a computational model to calculate the change in the energy of one component in a system when the change in energy of the other component(s) and energy flows in and out of the system are known. [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on explaining the meaning of mathematical expressions used in the model.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to basic algebraic expressions or computations; to systems of two or three components; and to thermal energy, kinetic energy, and/or the energies in gravitational, magnetic, or electric fields.]
- HS-PS3-2. Develop and use models to illustrate that energy at the macroscopic scale can be accounted for as a combination of energy associated with the motions of particles (objects) and energy associated with the relative positions of particles (objects). [Clarification Statement: Examples of phenomena at the macroscopic scale could include the conversion of kinetic energy to thermal energy, the energy stored due to position of an object above the earth, and the energy stored between two electrically-charged plates. Examples of models could include diagrams, drawings, descriptions, and computer simulations.]
- HS-PS3-3. Design, build, and refine a device that works within given constraints to convert one form of energy into another form of energy.\*[Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on both qualitative and quantitative evaluations of devices. Examples of devices could include Rube Goldberg devices, wind turbines, solar cells, solar ovens, and generators. Examples of constraints could include use of renewable energy forms and efficiency.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment for quantitative evaluations is limited to total output for a given input. Assessment is limited to devices constructed with materials provided to students.]

The performance expectations above were developed using the following elements from the NRC document *A Framework for K-12 Science Education*:

# Science and Engineering Practices

#### **Analyzing and Interpreting Data**

Analyzing data in 9–12 builds on K–8 and progresses to introducing more detailed statistical analysis, the comparison of data sets for consistency, and the use of models to generate and analyze data.

 Analyze data using tools, technologies, and/or models (e.g., computational, mathematical) in order to make valid and reliable scientific claims or determine an optimal design solution. (HS-PS2-1)

#### **Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking**

Mathematical and computational thinking at the 9–12 level builds on K–8 and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on

# **Disciplinary Core Ideas**

#### **PS2.A: Forces and Motion**

 Newton's second law accurately predicts changes in the motion of macroscopic objects. (HS-PS2-1) PS3.A: Definitions of Energy

#### PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter

 The periodic table orders elements horizontally by the number of protons in the atom's nucleus and places those with similar chemical properties in columns. The repeating patterns of this table reflect patterns of outer electron states. (HS-PS1-2)

#### **PS1.B: Chemical Reactions**

The fact that atoms are conserved, together with knowledge of the chemical properties of the elements involved, can be used to describe and predict chemical reactions. (HS-PS1-2).

#### PS3.A: Definitions of Energy

Energy is a quantitative property of a system that

## **Crosscutting Concepts**

#### **Cause and Effect**

- Empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and make claims about specific causes and effects. (HS-PS2-1)
- Models can be used to predict the behavior of a system, but these predictions have limited precision and reliability due to the assumptions and approximations inherent in models. (HS-PS3-1)

#### **Patterns**

 Different patterns may be observed at each of the scales at which a system is studied and can provide evidence for causality in explanations of phenomena. (HS-PS1-2),

#### **Energy and Matter**

- Changes of energy and matter in a system can be described in terms of energy and matter flows into, out of, and within that system. (HS-PS3-3)
- Energy cannot be created or destroyed—only moves

mathematical models of basic assumptions.

# Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-generated sources of evidence consistent with scientific ideas, principles, and theories.

 Construct and revise an explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from a variety of sources (including students' own investigations, models, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future. (HS-PS1-2)

#### **Developing and Using Models**

Modeling in 9–12 builds on K–8 and progresses to using, synthesizing, and developing models to predict and show relationships among variables between systems and their components in the natural and designed worlds.

 Develop and use a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. (HS-PS3-2)

Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking Mathematical and computational thinking at the 9–12 level builds on K–8 and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions.

 Create a computational model or simulation of a phenomenon, designed device, process, or system. (HS-PS3-1)

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 Design, evaluate, and/or refine a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and tradeoff considerations. (HS-PS3-3)

Connections to Nature of Science

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Science Models, Laws, Mechanisms, and Theories Explain Natural Phenomena

- depends on the motion and interactions of matter and radiation within that system. That there is a single quantity called energy is due to the fact that a system's total energy is conserved, even as, within the system, energy is continually transferred from one object to another and between its various possible forms. (HS-PS3-1),(HS-PS3-2)
- At the macroscopic scale, energy manifests itself in multiple ways, such as in motion, sound, light, and thermal energy. (HS-PS3-2) (HS-PS3-3)
- These relationships are better understood at the microscopic scale, at which all of the different manifestations of energy can be modeled as a combination of energy associated with the motion of particles and energy associated with the configuration (relative position of the particles). In some cases the relative position energy can be thought of as stored in fields (which mediate interactions between particles). This last concept includes radiation, a phenomenon in which energy stored in fields moves across space. (HS-PS3-2)

#### PS3.B: Conservation of Energy and Energy Transfer

- Conservation of energy means that the total change of energy in any system is always equal to the total energy transferred into or out of the system. (HS-PS3-1)
- Energy cannot be created or destroyed, but it can be transported from one place to another and transferred between systems. (HS-PS3-1).(HS-PS3-4)
- Mathematical expressions, which quantify how the stored energy in a system depends on its configuration (e.g. relative positions of charged particles, compression of a spring) and how kinetic energy depends on mass and speed, allow the concept of conservation of energy to be used to predict and describe system behavior. (HS-PS3-1)
- The availability of energy limits what can occur in any system. (HS-PS3-1)

#### **PS3.D: Energy in Chemical Processes**

 Although energy cannot be destroyed, it can be converted to less useful forms—for example, to thermal energy in the surrounding environment. (HS-PS3-3)

# ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting an Engineering Problem

 Criteria and constraints also include satisfying any requirements set by society, such as taking issues of risk mitigation into account, and they should be quantified to the extent possible and stated in such a way that one can tell if a given design meets them. (secondary to HS-PS3-3) between one place and another place, between objects and/or fields, or between systems. (HS-PS3-2)

Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science Influence of Science, Engineering and Technology on Society and the Natural World

 Modern civilization depends on major technological systems. Engineers continuously modify these technological systems by applying scientific knowledge and engineering design practices to increase benefits while decreasing costs and risks. (HS-PS3-3)

Connections to Nature of Science Scientific Knowledge Assumes an Order and Consistency in Natural Systems

 Science assumes the universe is a vast single system in which basic laws are consistent. (HS-PS3-1)

- Theories and laws provide explanations in science. (HS-PS2-1)
- Laws are statements or descriptions of the relationships among observable phenomena. (HS-PS2-1)

Connections to other DCIs in this grade-level:

**HS.PS3.C** (HS-PS2-1); **HS.ESS1.A** (HS-PS3-2); **HS.PS2.B** (HS-PS3-2); **HS.PS3.B** (HS-PS3-2); **HS.PS3.B** (HS-PS3-2); **HS.PS3.B** (HS-PS3-2); **HS.PS3.B** (HS-PS3-1), (HS-PS3-1); **HS.ESS1.A** (HS-PS3-1);

Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:

MS.PS2.A (HS-PS3-1), MS.PS3.C (HS-PS3-1) MS.PS1.A (HS-PS3-2); MS.PS2.B (HS-PS3-2) MS.PS3.A (HS-PS3-1),(HS-PS3-2),(HS-PS3-3); MS.PS3.B (HS-PS3-1),(HS-PS3-3

Common Core State Standards Connections:

ELA/Literacy -

RST.11-12.1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies

in the account. (HS-PS2-1)

RST.11-12.7 Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question

or solve a problem. (HS-PS2-1)

WHST.11- Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. (HS-PS2-1)

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Mathematics 
MP.2 Reason abstractly and quantitatively, (HS-PS2-1) (HS-PS3-1),(HS-PS3-2),(HS-PS3-3)

**MP.4** Model with mathematics. (HS-PS2-1) (HS-PS3-1).(HS-PS3-2).(HS-PS3-3)

HSN.Q.A.1 Use units as a way to understand problems and to quide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the

scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-PS2-1) (HS-PS3-1),(HS-PS3-3)

**HSN.Q.A.2** Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling. (HS-PS2-1) (HS-PS3-1), (HS-PS3-3)

HSN.Q.A.3 Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities. (HS-PS2-1) HS-PS3-3)

HSA.SSE.A.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context. (HS-PS2-1)

**HSA.SSE.B.3** Choose and produce an equivalent form of an expression to reveal and explain properties of the quantity represented by the expression. (HS-PS2-1)

HSA.CED.A.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. (HS-PS2-1)

HSA.CED.A.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales. (HS-PS2-1).(

**HSA.CED.A.4** Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving equations. (HS-PS2-1)

HSF-IF.C.7 Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by in hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases. (HS-PS2-1)

HSS-IS.A.1 Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots). (HS-PS2-1)