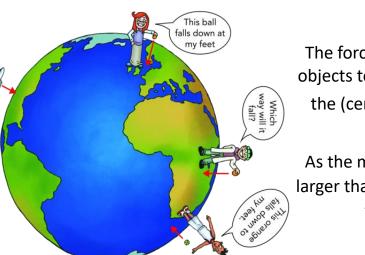


Year 5 Science Forces: How and why do objects move?



Key Vocabulary	Definition
gravity (noun)	Natural attraction between physical bodies.
air resistance (noun)	Frictional force of air pushes against a moving object.
water resistance (noun)	Frictional force of water pushes against a moving object.
friction (noun)	Resistance to movement of one object moving against another.
levers (noun)	Strong bars that are used to lift and move something heavy.
pulley (noun)	Simple machine for moving heavy objects up or down, consisting of a small wheel over which a rope or chain is attached to the object.
gears (noun)	Part of machines that meshes with another toothed part to make things move or to change speed or direction.
exert (verb)	To apply a force to something, or to make an effort.
resist (verb)	To fight against, oppose or avoid doing something.



The force of gravity causes objects to be pulled towards the (centre of the) Earth.

As the mass of the Earth is larger than the object, it falls towards it.

Mass	Weight
HOW MUCH 'STUFF'	THE FORCE OF GRAVITY ON A
SOMETHING HAS	MASS
MEASURED IN KILOGRAMS	MEASURED IN NEWTONS
REMAINS CONSTANT	CHANGES DEPENDING ON
	GRAVITY

Calculating weight: Weight = mass x gravity

Friction between the object and air acts in the direction opposite to motion.

Air resistance

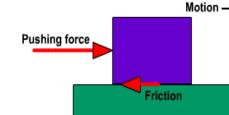


Air resistance is an upward force exerted on falling objects.

Streamlined shapes cause less air resistance than others.



Reducing the air resistance will make it go faster.



Friction is a force that reduces the speed of an object or may stop objects from moving.



Slows objects down



Can produce heat

Effects of friction



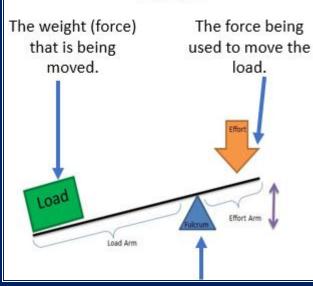
Wears things away

Can make a noise

A simple machine (a mechanical device) is used to change:

- The size of a force.
- The direction of a force.

Lever



Gears

A rotating wheel with cogs (teeth).

With another rotating wheel.



Reduces the effort required to raise a load.

The rope has a load on one end and someone or something pulling at the other end.

