

## Learning the Language

1. The **GRAVITY** force between your coaster and the earth pulls you down the roller coaster.
2. The greater a coaster's **WEIGHT** the stronger the tracks must be to support it.
3. You increase a coaster's **MASS** by adding more passengers.
4. A roller coaster peak is shaped in a curve called a **PARABOLA** so that you will feel like you are falling freely as you go over the top of the hill.
5. Roller coaster hills are shaped so that you will feel almost **WEIGHTLESS** as you ride over them.
6. You gain enough **MOMENTUM** falling down a roller coaster hill to keep you going all the way to the top of the next hill.
7. You feel **ACCELERATION** as you gain speed rolling down a roller coaster hill.
8. You feel **DECELERATION** as you lose speed climbing a roller coaster hill.
9. As your speed increases going down a roller coaster hill, you gain **KINETIC ENERGY**.
10. Your coaster has the most **POTENTIAL ENERGY** when it is at the highest point.
11. You feel a **FORCE** on you back as the coaster seat pushes against you.
12. Your body's **INERTIA** causes you to be slung forward when you stop suddenly at the end of a roller coaster ride.
13. Roller coaster tracks are tilted inward to give **CENTRIPETAL FORCE** which pushes the coaster toward the center of the curve.
14. The rubbing between coaster wheels and the track causes a **FRICTION** force which slows the coaster down.
15. Your **VELOCITY** increases as you roll down a roller coaster hill.

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1. As you roll over a peak, you rise off your seat and you feel \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The shape of a roller coaster hill is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. As you fall down a roller coaster hill, you \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The force of \_\_\_\_\_ pulls you down the roller coaster peaks.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ force slows you down throughout your trip.
6. When you are the highest above the ground, you have the most \_\_\_\_\_.
7. When you are moving the fastest, you have the most \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Because of your speed at the bottom of the hill, you have enough \_\_\_\_\_ to climb to the top of the next hill.
9. An inward \_\_\_\_\_ is required to make you turn.
10. Your body has \_\_\_\_\_ and therefore, tries to move in a straight line when the roller coaster track turns.
11. An empty coaster and a loaded coaster will travel down a hill at the same speed. Therefore we can say a coaster's speed is not affected by its \_\_\_\_\_.

INERTIA

PARABOLA

MOMENTUM

WEIGHTLESS

POTENTIAL ENERGY

CENTRIPETAL FORCE

GRAVITY

ACCELERATE

MASS

FRICTION

KINETIC ENERGY

## More Using the Language

1. The gravity pull between an object and the earth (or another large body) is called \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The amount of material a body contains is its \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A condition in which an object has no weight is called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A curved path produced by a falling body is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The force of attraction between all bodies in the universe is called \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The energy that an object has because of its position is called \_\_\_\_\_.
7. An increase in speed is called \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The energy that an object in motion has is called \_\_\_\_\_.
9. A decrease in speed is called \_\_\_\_\_.
10. A measure (mass \* velocity) of the force of a moving object is its \_\_\_\_\_.
11. The tendency of an object to remain at rest or in motion unless acted upon by a force is called \_\_\_\_\_.
12. A push or pull is a \_\_\_\_\_.
13. A force pulling an object toward the center of its' circular path is called \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Resistance to motion due to one object rubbing against another object is called \_\_\_\_\_.
15. An object's speed in a given direction is called its \_\_\_\_\_.

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