Week 27 – SCIENCE NOTE PAGE **Energy & Work**

What is Energy?

- **Energy** the ability to do work
 - Changes in the physical word are possible because of energy: change in speed, change in direction, change in temperature, etc.

Forms of Energy

- **Mechanical Energy** the energy of motion and position
- **Chemical Energy** energy stored in chemical bonds
- **Electrical Energy** associated with electric charges; electrons moving
- **Sound Energy** caused due to the vibration of objects or matter
- **Light Energy** a form of electromagnetic energy; vibration of electrically charged particles which sends light energy out into the space around them
- **Nuclear Energy** when atoms are split during nuclear fission

Conservation of Energy

- Law of Conservation of Energy states that energy can neither be <u>created</u> nor destroyed, but can be transformed
 - Energy can be transferred from place to place and can be converted between the different forms of energy
 - When transferred or converted the amount of energy does not change, it is **conserved**

Energy Transformed

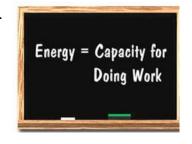
- Energy transformations take place when energy changes from one form to another
 - o Example: Gasoline contains chemical energy.
 - When it is burned, it is transformed into heat energy and mechanical energy.
 - No energy is lost or gained when the gasoline changes the form from chemical to heat and mechanical energy.

Energy Sources

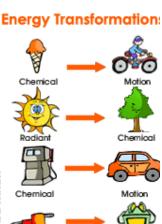
- **Renewable Sources**: can be replaced (in a lifetime);
 - Examples: <u>sunlight, wind, moving water, wood</u>
- **Non-renewable Sources**: cannot be replaced (in a lifetime);
 - Examples: coal, oil, natural gas, uranium

Measuring Energy

- Joule is the SI unit for energy; 1 joule (J) = 1 Newton-meter (N-m)





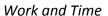


What is Work?

 Work is when a <u>force</u> is exerted on an object and the object moves a distance in the direction of the force

Work Depends on Force and Distance

- W = Fd (Note: the W is in italics)
- Work = Force x distance
 - W (work) = How much work needs to be done to move a book with a force of 10 Newtons a distance of 1 meter?
 - o F (Force) = 10 Newtons or 10 N
 - o d (distance) = 1 meter or 1 m
 - $W = 10 \text{ N} \times 1 \text{ m}$
 - W = <u>10</u> N-m or <u>10</u> joules or <u>10</u> J



- Work does not take into account the time it takes to complete a task: W = Fd
- If you do the work of moving a book using 10 N of force a distance of 1 meter in 2 seconds or 10 seconds or 50 seconds, you still will do 10 joules of work.

Power

- P = W/t
- Power = Work/time
 - Power (power) = How much **power** is needed to cut down a tree if using a hand saw or a chain saw?
 - Both a hand saw and a chain saw will do the same amount of work (joules)
 - the chain saw will do the work faster; faster means more power.

The Watt

- P = W/t which means power is work (joules) divided by time (seconds) or joules per second or J/s
- Joules per second (J/s) is the SI unit of <u>power</u>, also called **watts** or W (Note: the W is NOT in italics)

Power and Energy

- Power is the rate at which work is done
 - Work requires energy
 - Therefore, power can also be defined as the rate at which energy is used

