

Free Fall: Timing is Everything

Name _____

Learning Objective: SWBAT determine how to drop three or four objects from different heights AT THE SAME TIME and have them land AT THE SAME TIME.



OK GO Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvW61K2s0tA>

Prediction: How can your group drop objects from different heights SIMULTANEOUSLY to get them all to hit the floor at the same time? A drawing might be helpful as you come up with preliminary ideas for this to contribute to your group...

Activity: In groups of four to five, drop one less object than there are people in your group from different heights AT THE SAME TIME and get them to land at the same time. Take slo mo video of at least 3 trials to show your group trying to accomplish this goal by the last of those trials. There will be 2 bonus points given to each member of groups that accomplish the task EXACTLY.

Modeling on whiteboards afterward: Explain how you had to drop the objects simultaneously to get them to hit at the same time. Make sure to include your new friends XAT and VAT along with ideas from today's discussion about air resistance and masses of falling objects.

Group ideas as you try to achieve the "land at the same time" drops:

Your final group product:

- A Google Slide presentation that first has your minimum of 3 videos on separate slides showing your BEST 3 ATTEMPTS to accomplish the task where all 3-4 objects hit the floor at the same moment. MAKE SURE I HAVE BEEN GIVEN PRIVILEGES TO VIEW YOUR VIDEOS!
- A final slide with a photo of your white board modeling explaining how you were able to make it happen. Include XAT, VAT and discussions of the different or equal forces at work on the objects.