

### Calculating Force

Calculate the force in the following problems by using the equation:  **$F = m a$**

1. A man hits a golf ball (0.2 kg) which accelerates at a rate of  $20 \text{ m/s}^2$ . What amount of force acted on the ball?
2. You give a shopping cart a shove down the aisle. The cart is full of groceries and has a mass of 18 kg. The cart accelerates at a rate of  $3 \text{ m/s}^2$ . How much force did you exert on the cart?
3. The wind pushes a paper cup along the sand at a beach. The cup has a mass of 0.025 kg and accelerates at a rate of  $5 \text{ m/s}^2$ . How much force is the wind exerting on the cup?
4. You push a friend sitting on a swing. She has a mass of 50 kg and accelerates at a rate of  $4 \text{ m/s}^2$ . Find the force you exerted.
5. How much force would it take to push another, larger friend who has a mass of 70 kg to accelerate at the same rate of  $4 \text{ m/s}^2$ ?
6. A worker drops his hammer off the roof of a house. The hammer has a mass of 9 kg, and gravity accelerates it at the usual  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ . How much force does the earth apply to the hammer?
7. A physical science test book has a mass of 2.2 kg What is the weight (in N) on the Earth?
8. What is the weight on Mars (acceleration due to gravity =  $3.7 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) of a 75Kg person?
9. If the textbook weighs 19.6 newtons on Venus, What is the acceleration of gravity on Venus?