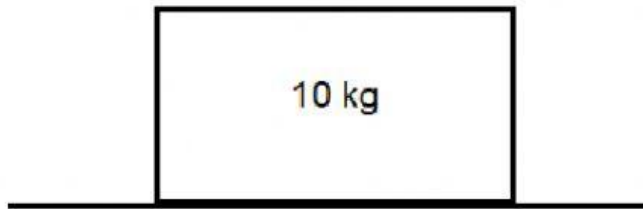


# Newton laws worksheet 15

## Calculating normal force

Eg 1 A 10 kg object is resting on a table



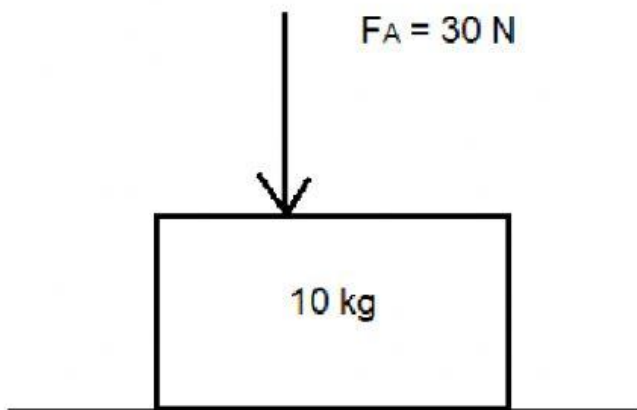
Step 1: always draw the free body diagram



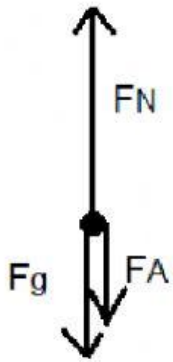
Since the object is not moving vertically, the vertical forces need to balance out (equal to each other).

$$\begin{aligned} F_N &= F_g \\ &= m \cdot g \\ &= \underline{\quad} (\underline{\quad}) \\ &= \underline{\quad} \text{ N upwards} \end{aligned}$$

Eg 2 A 10 kg object is resting on a table. A force of 30 N is applied on the box downwards.



Step 1: draw the free body diagram



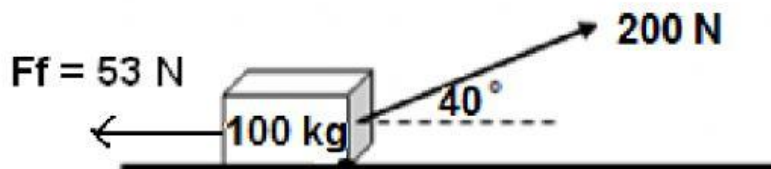
Since the object is not moving vertically, the vertical forces need to balance out (equal to each other).

$$F_N = F_g + F_A$$

$$F_N = m \cdot g + F_A$$

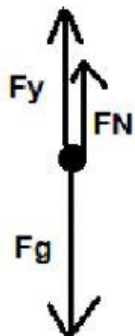
$$F_N = \underline{\quad} (\underline{\quad}) + \underline{\quad}$$
$$= \underline{\quad} \text{ N upwards}$$

Eg 3



Always draw a free body diagram first

I'm going to draw just the vertical forces (since normal force is on the y-axis)



The vertical forces balance out, since the object doesn't move vertically.

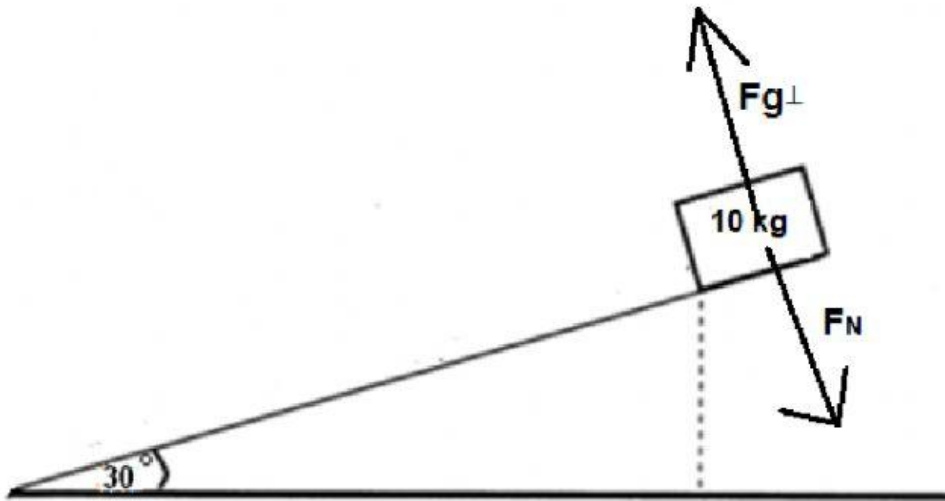
Thus  $F_y + F_N = F_g$

$F \cdot \sin \theta + F_N = m \cdot g$

$200 \cdot \sin 40 + F_N = 1000$

$F_N = 600 \text{ N upwards}$

Eg 4



When an object is on a slope, the normal force is equal to the  $F_{g\perp}$ .

$F_N = F_{g\perp}$

$F_N = F_g \cdot \cos \theta$

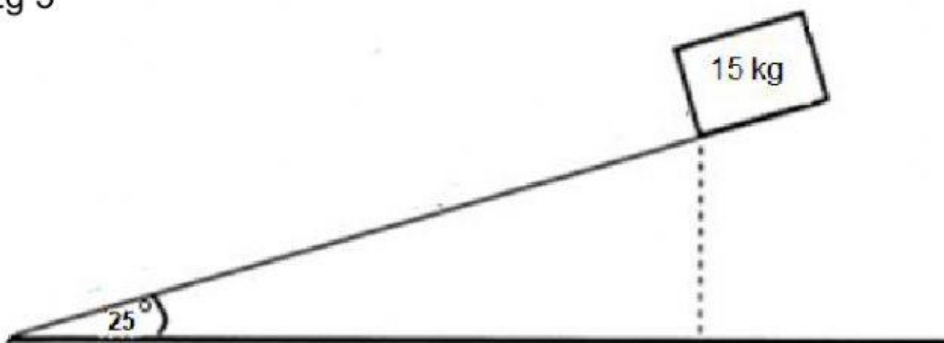
$F_N = m \cdot g \cdot \cos \theta$

$= 10(9,8) \cdot \cos 30$

$= 85 \text{ N upwards}$



Eg 5



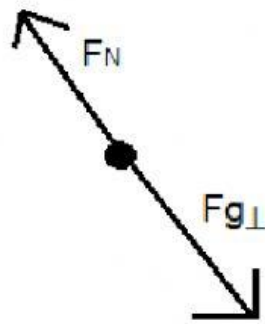
$$F_N = Fg_{\perp}$$

$$F_N = Fg \cdot \sin \theta$$

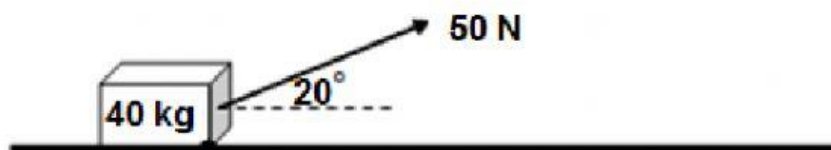
$$F_N = m \cdot g \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$= 15(9,8) \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$= \text{_____ N}$$



Eg 6



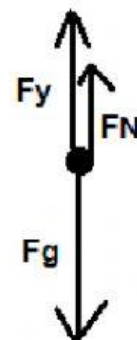
The vertical forces balance out, since the object doesn't move vertically.

Thus  $F_y + F_N = Fg$

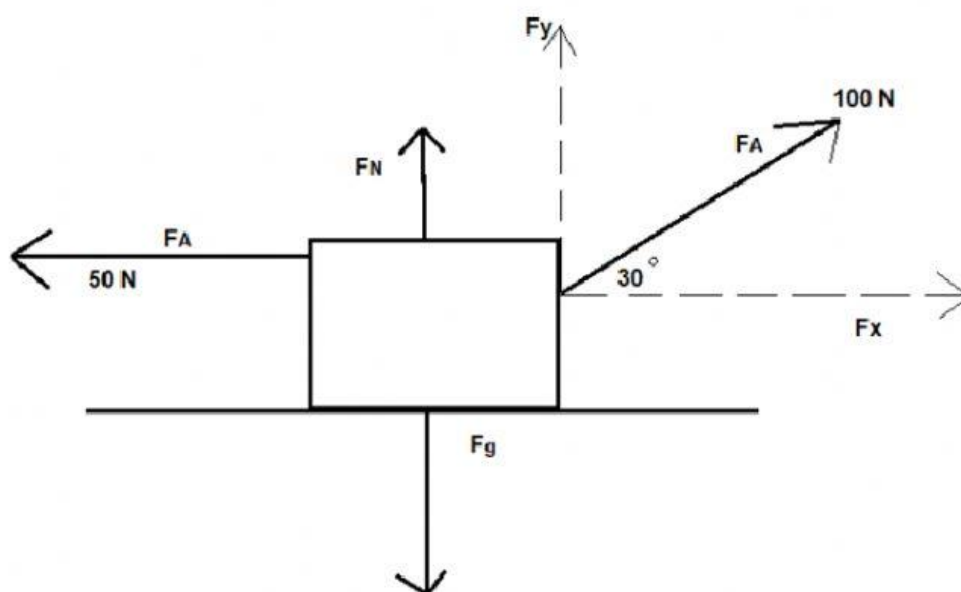
$$F \cdot \sin \theta + F_N = m \cdot g$$

$$50 \cdot \sin 20 + F_N = 40(9,8)$$

$$F_N = 374,90 \text{ N}$$



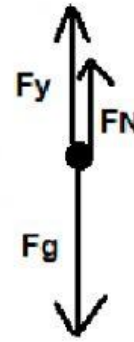
Eg 7. A 7kg object is pulled to the right with a force of 100 N and at an angle of 30° to the horizontal and to the left with a force of 50 N.



The vertical forces:

$$\begin{aligned} F_y &= F \cdot \sin \Theta \\ &= 100 \cdot \sin 30 \\ &= 50 \text{ N upwards} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_g &= mg \\ &= 7 (9.8) \\ &= 68,6 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

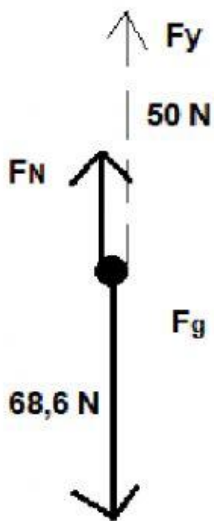


Since the  $F_g$  force is 68,6 N upwards and the  $F_y$  force is 50 N upwards, the  $F_N$  needs to be

$$F_N + F_y = F_g$$

$$F_N = F_g - F_y$$

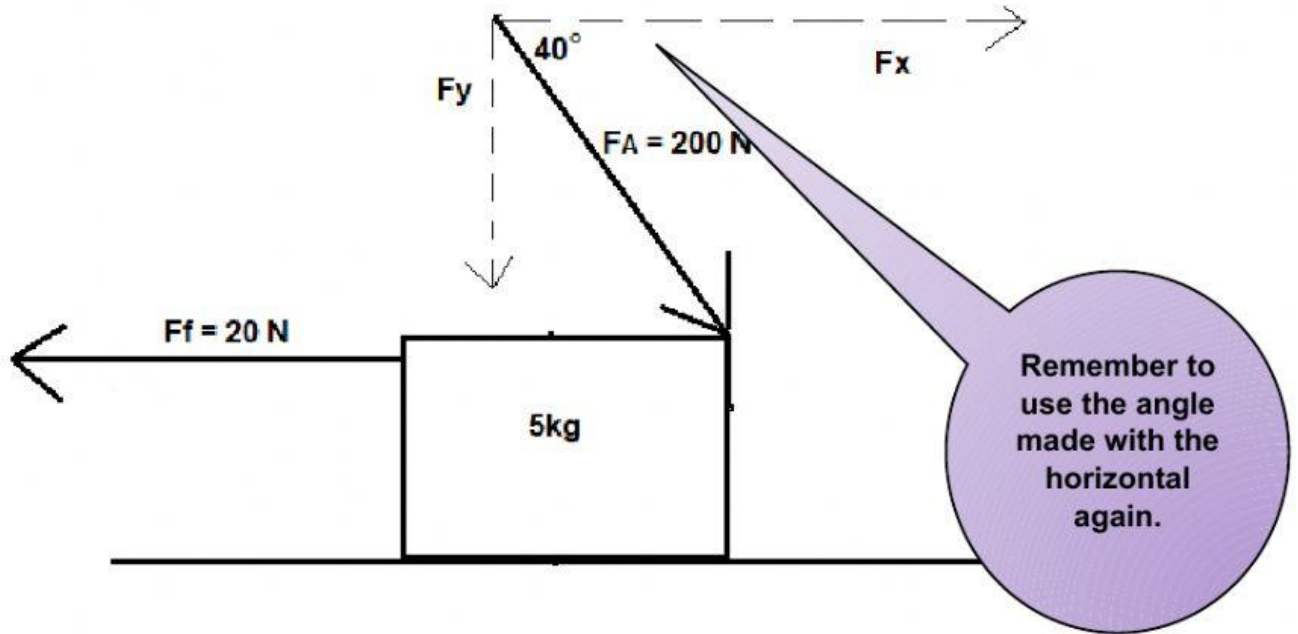
$$\begin{aligned} F_N &= 68,6 - 50 \\ &= 18,6 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$



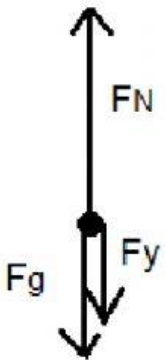
The vertical forces balance out

Eg 8. A 5kg box is pushed down with a force of 200 N at an angle of  $40^\circ$  to the horizontal.

There is a frictional force of 20 N on the box to the left.



Vertical forces:



The vertical forces balance out, thus

$$F_N = F_y + F_g$$

$$F_N = F \cdot \sin \theta + m \cdot g$$

$$F_N = 200 \sin 40^\circ + 5 \cdot 9.8$$

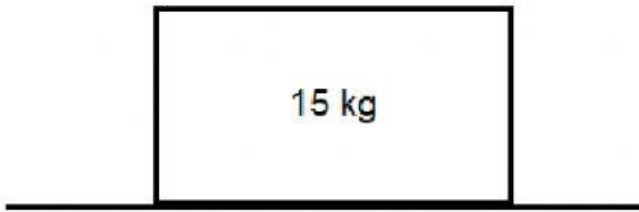
$$F_N = 200 \sin 40^\circ + 49$$

**Exercise 15:**

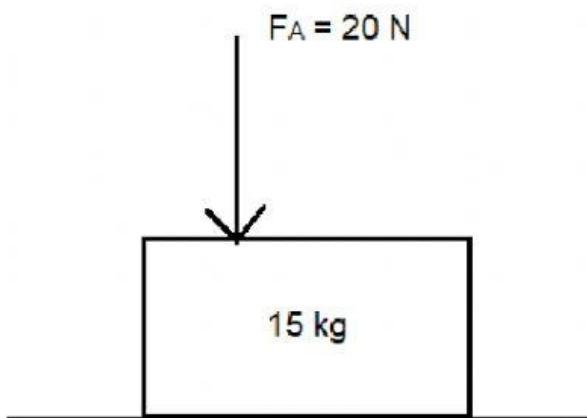
**Calculate the normal force on the following objects**

**Do this exercise in your physics book**

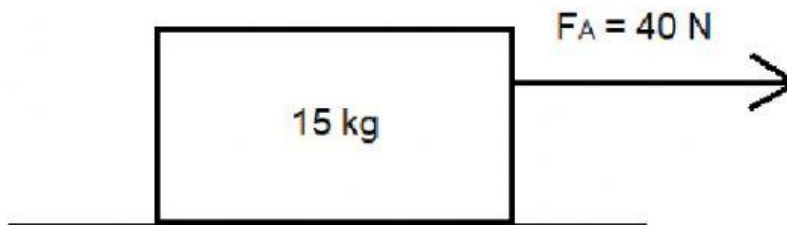
15.1 A 15 kg box is resting on a table



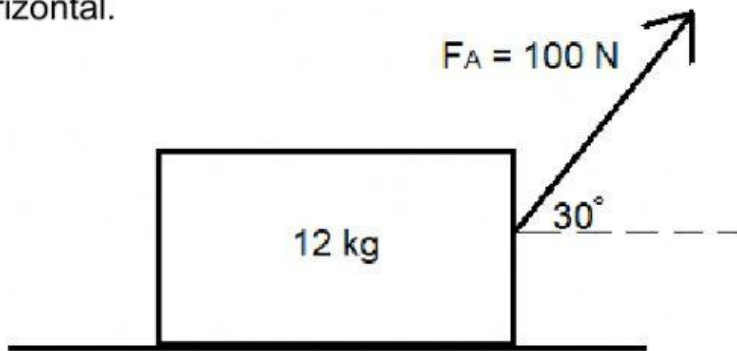
15.2 A 15 kg box is resting on a table and a force of 20 N is applied to the box downwards.



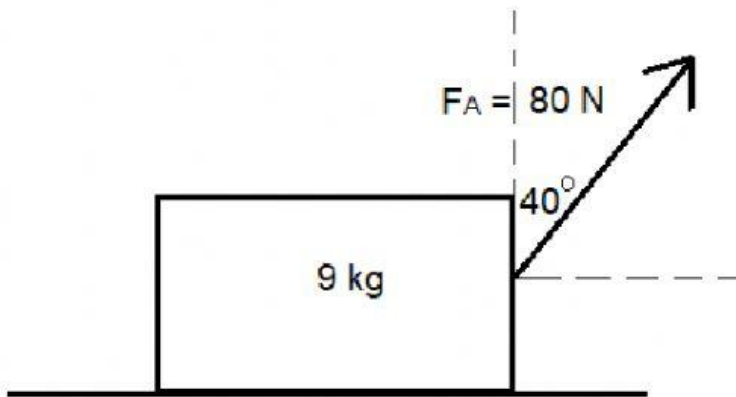
15.3 A 15 kg box is pulled to the right with a force of 40 N



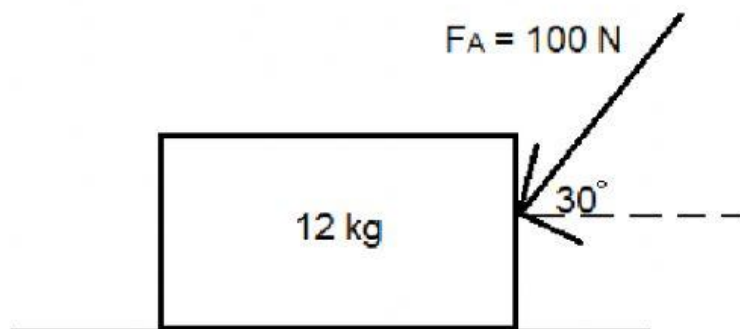
- 15.4 A 12 kg object is pulled up with a force of 100N, at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal.



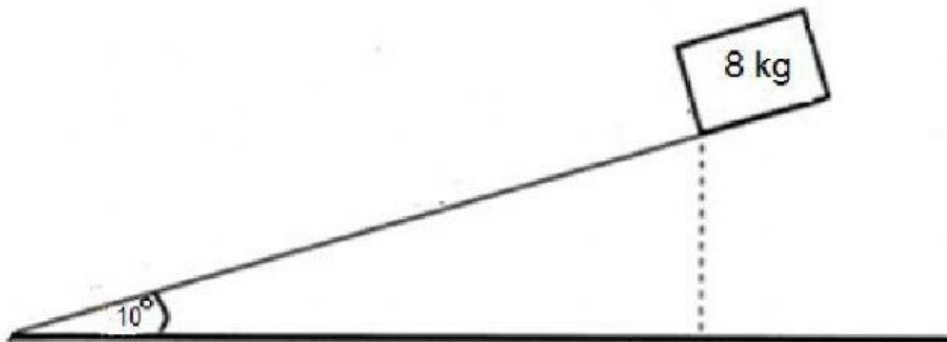
- 15.5 A 9 kg object is pulled up with a force of 80N, at an angle of  $40^\circ$  to the vertical.



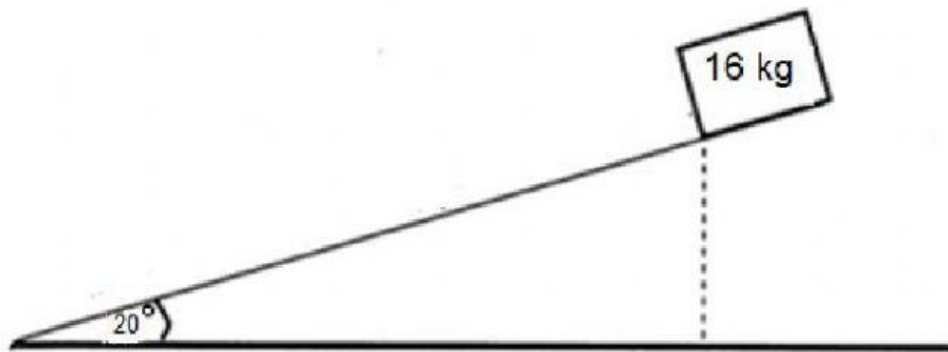
- 15.6 A 12 kg object is pushed down with a force of 100N, at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal.



15.7 A 8 kg box is placed on a slope.



15.8 A 16 kg box is placed on a slope.



15.9 Tricky one

A 16 kg box is pulled at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal with a force of 40N.

