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Main Ideas, Key Points, Questions:

After watching the video segment, write down key points, main ideas, and big questions.

## Objective(s):

- Indicate, both qualitatively and quantitatively, how horizontal and vertical components of motion are independent of one another.
- Calculate the range and time of flight for a horizontally launched projectile.


## Notes:

During the video segment, use words, phrases, or drawings to take notes.

Answer the following.

1. What does it mean for an object to travel in two dimensions?

It means that it is moving both horizontally and vertically at the same time.
2. Describe what happens to the horizontal component of velocity while an object is in the air.

The horizontal component of velocity does not change, meaning that
the horizontal component of a projectile's velocity is constant.
3. If an object travels at a constant velocity, how does its average velocity compare to its instantaneous velocity throughout the trip?

The vertical component of a projectile's velocity changes due to the force of
gravity acting on the projectile, causing it to accelerate throughout the trip.
4. Which equation will you use to make calculations about a projectile's horizontal displacement (i.e., range) and horizontal velocity?

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v=\frac{d}{t}
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5. What three equations can you use to make calculations about a projectile's vertical motion?

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v_{f}=v_{i}+a t \quad d=v_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2} \quad v_{f}^{2}=v_{i}^{2}+2 a d
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6. Sketch the motion of a horizontally launched projectile on the axis below:

7. Two balls are released from the same height. One is dropped and the other is horizontally launched. Why do they reach the ground at the same time?

The two balls reach the ground at the same time because they have the same vertical components of motion: height, acceleration due to gravity, and initial vertical velocity of zero.

