Unit 4C Collisions Note-Taking Guide TEACHER

Main Ideas, Key Points, **Questions:**

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

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Objective(s):

- Recognize the characteristics of elastic and inelastic collisions with . regards to the motion of objects after collisions and the conservation of momentum and energy.
- Understand how the law of conservation of momentum applies to all collisions.

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

Summary:

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Answer the following.

1. What are the two types of collisions?

Collisions are classified as either elastic or inelastic.

2. Define an elastic collision in your own words.

The objects involved in an elastic collision bounce off each other.

3. What quantities are conserved in elastic collisions?

Momentum and kinetic energy are both conserved in elastic collisions.

4. In a collision, if two objects are moving in opposite directions, what does that mean for their momentum values?

Momentum is a vector quantity, so the direction of an object's motion is represented by its sign.

If two objects are moving in opposite directions, their momentum values will have opposite signs.

5. Define an inelastic collision in your own words.

The objects involved in an inelastic collision stick together after colliding.

6. What quantities are conserved in inelastic collisions?

Only momentum is conserved in inelastic collisions.

7. How does the final kinetic energy of the system in an inelastic collision compare to the initial kinetic energy?

The final kinetic energy of the system is less than the

initial kinetic energy because kinetic energy is lost in the collision.

8. How do the final velocities of the objects involved in an inelastic collision compare to each other?

Because the objects involved in an inelastic collision

stick together, they will have the same final velocities.