Unit 4H Conservation of Energy *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):

- Understand how conservation of energy is applied to physical situations, both qualitatively and quantitatively.
- Recognize situations in which energy is either conserved or not conserved.



Summary:

After watching the video segment, write at least three sentences explaining what you learned. You may ask yourself: "If I was going to explain this to someone else, what would I say?"



Answer the following.

1. Define the law of conservation of energy in your own words.

The law of conservation of energy states that energy can neither be

created nor destroyed but can be converted from one form to another.

2. What form of energy does an object possess based on its height relative to a reference point?

When an object has height relative to a reference point, it possesses gravitational potential energy.

3. What form of energy does an object possess due to its movement?

An object in motion possesses kinetic energy.

4. Provide examples of non-conservative forces.

Friction and air resistance are non-conservative forces.

5. When non-conservative forces are present, does all of the energy in a system remain in a usable form? Explain.

Non-conservative forces such as friction cause energy to be

converted to non-usable forms that cannot be regained or reused.

6. What type of force are the force of gravity and the force exerted by a spring? How does this type of force influence the energy in a system?

The force of gravity and the spring force are both conservative forces,

which allow the energy in a system to remain in a usable form.

7. As an object falls to the ground, what happens to its energy? Ignore air resistance in this scenario.

As an object falls to the ground, its energy is converted from gravitational potential energy to kinetic energy.

8. If air resistance acts on a falling object, will all of its potential energy be converted into kinetic energy?

No. If air resistance acts on a falling object, some of its energy

will be transformed into unusable energy such as heat.