

Physics - 10th Class Physics English Medium Chapter 10 Preparation

Q1. Define simple harmonic motion?

Ans 1: Simple harmonic motion occurs when the net force is directly proportional to the displacement from the mean position and always directed towards the mean position.

Q2. What is diffraction?

Ans 1: The bending or spreading of waves around the sharp edges or obstacles is called diffraction.

Q3. How can you define the term wave?

Ans 1: Wave: A wave is a disturbance in the medium which causes the particles of the medium to undergo vibratory motion about their mean position in equal intervals of time.

Q4. What is a ripple tank?

Ans 1: A ripple tank is a device to produce water waves and to study their properties. Like reflection, refraction and diffraction.

Q5. Think of several examples of motion in everyday life that are simple harmonic.

Ans 1: i. Motion of a pendulum clock ii. Motion of a ball in a bowl
iii. Motion of a spring iv. Motion of the prong of a tuning fork.

Q6. What is the displacement of an object in SHM when K.E. and P.E. are equal?

Ans 1: In simple harmonic motion when K.E. and P.E. are equal then the displacement will be half of the amplitude of the vibrating body.

Q7. What is the wave equation?

Ans 1: The relation between the velocity, frequency and wavelength of a wave is known as the wave equation. i.e. $v = f \lambda$

Q8. Difference between mechanical and electromagnetic waves. Give examples of each.

Ans 1: Mechanical waves: Waves which require any material medium for their propagation are called mechanical waves.
Example: i. Water wave
ii. Sound waves

Ans 2: Electromagnetic waves: Wave which don't require any material medium for their propagation are called electromagnetic waves.

Example: i. X-Rays ii. Light waves

Q9. Define refraction.

Ans 1: When waves from one medium enter in the second medium at some angle their direction of travel may change.this phenomenon is called refraction of waves.

Q10. Define frequency?

Ans 1: The number of vibration or cycle of a vibrating body in one second is called its frequency.
It is reciprocal of time period i.g. $f = 1/T$
