# Title: Power Walking Upstairs

## Purpose:

- To determine the amount of work done by walking or running upstairs
- to determine the power involved in walking or running upstairs
- to determine the relation among work, power, and type of motion

# Materials

- stairs
- stopwatch
- index cards

# Procedure:

- 1. Convert your mass in pounds to mass in kg (divide your mass by 2.2)
- 2. Obtain index card
- 3. DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE CARD
- 4. Record your mass in kg
- 5. Convert mass to Force (F) (multiply by  $10 \text{ m/s}^2$ )
- 6. Record the height of the stairway.
- 7. Record the time it takes you to walk up the stairs.
- 8. Record the time it takes you to run up the stairs.
- 9. Calculate Work required to walk and run upstairs

$$W = Fd$$

10. Calculate the Power required to walk and run upstairs

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$$Power = \frac{work}{time}$$

- 11. Give the card to the lovely Mrs. Nuño when all data is recorded.
- 12. Obtain Class Data Chart.
- 13. Graph the class data.
  - Work vs Force
    - 2 ¼ page graphs
    - draw line of best fit
    - determine slope (remember units....see page 105 for units for Work)
    - what does the slope represent?
  - Power vs Work
    - 2 ¼ page graphs
    - draw line of best fit
    - determine slope (remember units....see page 106 for units of Power)
    - what does the slope represent?

## Discussion:

- 1. Summarize what you did.
- 2. Discuss your results....remember to include data to support your statements.
- 3. Describe sources of error.
- 4. Suggest improvements.

## Conclusion: (answer the questions)

Is there a difference in work for walking or running? Is there a difference in power for walking or running?

**Reflection:** Personal Statement