Energy, Work, and Power

- I. Energy
 - kinetic and potential
 - conservation
- II. Work
 - dot product
 - work-energy relations

III. Springs

- IV. Power
 - machines and efficiency

	The student will be able to:	HW:
1	Define and apply the concepts of kinetic and potential energy and use the conservation of energy to explain physical phenomena.	1 – 7
2	Calculate mechanical kinetic energy and gravitational potential energy (in Joules) and use conservation of energy to solve related problems.	8 – 16
3	Define and calculate work and solve related problems.	17 – 23
4	Relate and equate work and energy and solve related problems.	24 – 30
5	Solve problems involving work and energy for a mass attached to a spring.	31 – 33
6	Define and calculate power (in Watts or horsepower) and solve related problems.	34 – 41
7	Solve problems involving machines and efficiency.	42-45

Work, Energy, and Springs

- As a spring stretches the force increases. (Hooke's Law: $F = k \cdot x$)
- Work must be done on the spring to stretch it.
- The stretched spring can do work on an object as it returns to equilibrium.
- A stretched or compressed spring has elastic potential energy.



Work is done on the spring by an increasing applied force.



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The compressed spring represents potential energy.



Work is done on the ball by a decreasing spring force.



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How much work is done on/by the spring?



The work is done by a force that varies from 0 to F, the average of which is F/2:

$$W = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{d} = (F/2) \cdot x = \frac{1}{2} Fx$$

$$F = k \cdot x$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} (kx)x$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} kx^{2}$$
Work done on spring
$$EPE = \frac{1}{2} kx^{2}$$
Energy in spring

Work can also be found by area under the curve.

