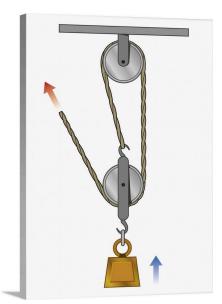
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# Unit 1- Worksheet 3: Simple Machine Three The pulley

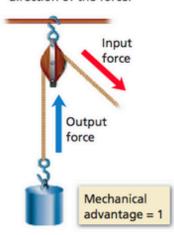


A pulley is a simple machine that consists of a rope, piece of string, twine, or cord that is free to move on one end and is attached to a fixed point on the other end. The **mechanical advantage** of a pulley is based on the number of ropes that support the moveable pulley

### Three types of pulleys

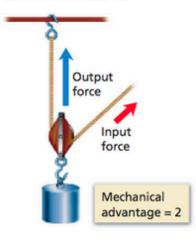
#### **Fixed Pulley**

A fixed pulley does not change the amount of force applied. It does change the direction of the force.



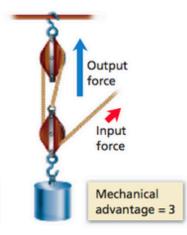
#### **Movable Pulley**

A movable pulley increases the amount of force applied. It does not change the direction of the force.



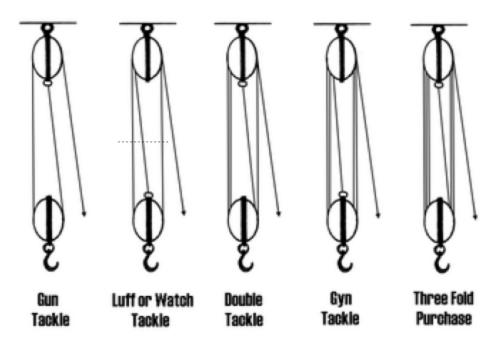
## **Block and Tackle**

A block and tackle is a pulley system made up of fixed and movable pulleys.



The IMA of a pulley is equivalent to the number of support strands holding up the load. Example, a luff tackle has an IMA of 3, a dotted line is run through the 3 support strands. The fourth line is applying the effort force, but does not directly support the weight of the load.

1. Which of the block and tackle systems has the **greatest mechanical advantage.** Explain why in a written statement.



2. A person applies a force to the effort rope on a pulley. From the 5 pulleys shown above, which pulley will require the most pulling distance? Explain why.

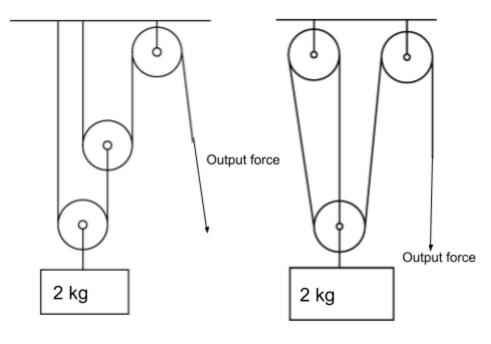
3. A double tackle pulley is used to lift a 200 pound load. What is the required effort force if it is a perfect frictionless pulley?

50<sup>lb</sup>

- 4. An ideal pulley lifts a 400 pound load using only 50 pounds of force.
  - a. What is the mechanical advantage of this pulley? Explain how you know
  - b. If the effort was applied over 32 feet, how far was the load lifted? Show your work & write out your thought processing.
- 5. A gyn tackle block is used with an effort of 35 pounds to support the weight of the load.
  - a. How much weight does each strand need to support?
  - b. How heavy is the load?

175<sup>lb</sup>

6. The image below shows two pulley systems. Which one will require a larger force to pull up the 2 kg block. Justify your answer.



Pulley System 1

Pulley System 2