

Physics in Nature and Animals

Physics · Practice Test · 20 Questions

1. Which physical property allows a water strider to walk on the surface of a pond?

- A) Surface tension
- B) Gravity
- C) Magnetism
- D) Buoyancy

2. What type of energy do plants primarily convert from sunlight during photosynthesis?

- A) Nuclear energy
- B) Radiant energy
- C) Sound energy
- D) Geothermal energy

3. Which force keeps birds and airplanes on the ground when they are not flying?

- A) Friction
- B) Magnetism
- C) Gravity
- D) Static electricity

4. What is the primary method of heat transfer from the Sun to the Earth?

- A) Conduction
- B) Convection
- C) Radiation
- D) Insulation

5. Which state of matter is common in clouds and fog?

- A) Solid
- B) Liquid
- C) Plasma
- D) Gas

6. What physical phenomenon causes a rainbow to appear in the sky?

- A) Reflection of light
- B) Refraction of light
- C) Magnetic pull
- D) Sound waves

7. Why do large animals like elephants have thick legs to support their weight against gravity?

- A) To increase surface area
- B) To lower their density
- C) To distribute pressure
- D) To create electricity

8. Which property of sound allows bats to use echolocation to navigate?

- A) Reflection
- B) Absorption
- C) Refraction
- D) Magnetism

9. What force acts between two surfaces in contact that slows down a sliding animal?

- A) Gravity
- B) Friction
- C) Inertia
- D) Acceleration

10. Which of these objects acts like a convex lens in nature to focus sunlight?

- A) A flat leaf
- B) A dewdrop
- C) A rock
- D) A blade of grass

11. What do we call the change of state from liquid water to water vapour?

- A) Freezing
- B) Condensation
- C) Evaporation
- D) Sublimation

12. Which form of energy is stored in a compressed spring or a stretched rubber band?

- A) Kinetic energy
- B) Potential energy
- C) Thermal energy
- D) Chemical energy

13. What causes a compass needle to point toward the North Pole?

- A) Gravity
- B) Earth's magnetic field
- C) Wind resistance
- D) Static charge

14. How is heat transferred through the metal handle of a pot on a fire?

- A) Conduction
- B) Convection
- C) Radiation
- D) Evaporation

15. What is the unit used to measure the intensity of sound, like a lion's roar?

- A) Joules
- B) Decibels
- C) Watts
- D) Newtons

16. Which physical process allows a fish to float at a specific depth in water?

- A) Neutral buoyancy
- B) Magnetic repulsion
- C) Thermal expansion
- D) Surface tension

17. What is the name for the natural movement of heat in the atmosphere, creating wind?

- A) Conduction
- B) Convection
- C) Radiation
- D) Friction

18. Which colour of clothing would absorb the most solar radiation on a sunny day?

- A) White
- B) Yellow
- C) Black
- D) Silver

19. What does the 'pitch' of a bird's song depend on?

- A) Frequency of sound waves
- B) Light intensity
- C) Air pressure
- D) Magnetic field

20. Which phenomenon makes it easier to lift an object underwater than in the air?

- A) Friction
- B) Buoyancy
- C) Gravity
- D) Magnetism