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-Weight and mass
-balance and spring scale
-riders, pointer, pan, base,
adjustment knob, arm

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- Ability to distinguish between mass and weight
- Ability to use the appropriate apparatus



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## DEFINITION

> What is gravity?

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Gravity is the attraction of an object to the surface of the Earth

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## Gravity and Weight:

## Weight is

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { The measurement of the force of } \\
\text { gravity on an object ... }
\end{gathered}
$$

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## Think about it...

## If the object is on the moon

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# then gravity is the attraction of that object to the surface of the 

 moon.
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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { QUESTION? } \\
& \text { Where is gravity greater, } \\
& \text { on Earth or the Moon? }
\end{aligned}
$$

So where would you weigh more,
On Earth or the Moon?

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## FURTHER QUESTION

So, since I weigh more on Earth then on the Moon,

Just because I am on the moon,
"am I any different?"
NO - my mass stays the same!

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## Have you ever...

- Stepped on a weight scale at home and held onto something to push yourself harder on the scale so that your weight is more?
- That is increasing the force of your body, creating something like as if we were to increase the gravitational pull of the Earth. (But we didn't.)


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They are all spring scales. They measure weight. (the force of gravity)
The


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## MASS

is the measurement of
...the amount of matter an object has ...

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## They are all balances.

 They measure mass. (the amount of matter) The unit is grams

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## Let Organize Our Thoughts


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# The balance measures in kilograms and grams. 

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## There are 1000 g in 1 kg

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What are the parts of a balance?

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This is the pan: Objects to be massed are placed on the pan

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## This is the pointer: It points to

 ZERO when the balance is correct.
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# WHAT PART IS THIS? 

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It's used to "zero the balance" and to make sure the scale is at zero.

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 When transporting the balance, you hold it by the base and arm.

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 riders to balance the pan.

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If the pointer is above ZERO, the object on the pan is more then 100 grams.

Keep moving the 100 's rider up to 200 , then 300 , then 400 etc...

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Once the the pointer is below zero -- you know you moved the rider to far. Move it back one ... And then ....

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If the pointer is still above zero, continue to move the 10 's rider one unit at a time.

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Begin to move the 1's rider.
Continue to move the 1's rider until the pointer is pointing to ZERO.

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## Method I:

# 1. Place the solid object directly on the pan and 

 measure.
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# 1. When measuring the mass of liquid, you have to measure the mass of a empty container first 



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# 2. Measure the container 

 with your liquid.

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## 3. Subtract to find the mass of the liquid without the container



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# To find the mass of a powdery substance 



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 Method 3:Never place a powder directly on the pan without "weigh paper"

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# 1. Place a piece of "weigh paper" on the 

 pan, measure the "weigh paper"
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# 2. Add your powder sample to the "weigh paper" and measure both. 



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## Method 3 B

3. Subtract the paper to
find the mass of your powder without the
paper

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## PLACE THE <br> BALANCE BACK WITH ALL RIDERS MOVED ALL THE WAY TO THE LEFT ON ZERO



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## Summary

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Class Activity:
Lab: Determining Mass
Lab: Determining the mass of Water
Lab: How to Use a Balance-Lab (3 methods)

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## http://www.ohaus.com/input/tutorials/tbb/t

bbentry.swf

