Potential and Kinetic Energy

PE & KE with Angry Birds

Watch the angry bird segment and determine...

- Where did the angry bird have the most potential energy?
- Where did the angry bird have the most kinetic energy?
- Is it possible to have BOTH?

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bNNzRyd1xz0

Now watch the Volkswagon commercial and determine where the ball has the greatest potential and kinetic energy.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FjTQV6CjAPE

Potential Energy- why do these examples represent PE?



What happens to the energy if the rollercoaster goes down the track?

- Is there still potential energy if you are midway down the track?
- Is it possible to have potential and kinetic energy at the same time ?



- 100% potential energy is always at the top or when something is fully stretched
- 100% kinetic energy is always at the bottom or when it is fully released
- The middle is a combination of both

100% Potential Energy





Where is the most POTENTIAL energy?

 The most potential energy is when the bow is fully stretched. I know this because you store energy by stretching it- he will have the most elastic potential energy when the bow is fully stretched.





Where is the most KINETIC energy?

 The most kinetic energy is when the arrow is close to the target. I know this because you have the most kinetic energy when an object is fully released and has used all of its stored potential energy.





Where will there be BOTH potential and kinetic energy?

There will be both potential and kinetic energy when the arrow is in the middle of the air. I know this because the arrow is moving (kinetic energy) but it still has energy stored up with the potential to move further.

PE & KE with Wile E. Coyote

- Where does an object have the MOST PE?
- Where does an object have the MOST KE?
- Where does an object have both PE and KE?



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G q_bjal0NTo

When a rubberband is stretched out fully, its POTENTAL energy is the greatest.

Now I shoot my rubberband...

- Is there still potential energy when my rubberband is flying through the air?
- Is it possible to have potential and kinetic energy at the same time?

