

Interpreting Graphs Speed-Time Graphs

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Speed-Time Graphs look much like Distance-Time graph! Be sure to read the labels.

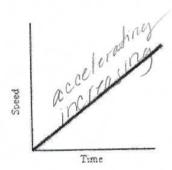
Time is plotted on the X-axis. Speed or velocity is plotted on the Y-axis

constant

Time

A straight horizontal line on a speed-time graph means the speed is constant. This means the speed is not changing over time. How is this different from a distance-time graph? How Zantal Line

at rest for distance



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A positive slope represents an increasing speed. The moving object is accelerating

A negative slope represents a decreasing speed The moving object is decelerating.

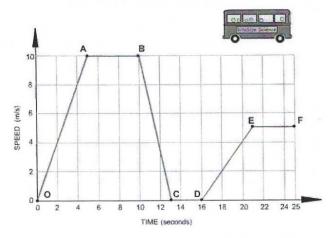
Summary:

- The steeper the line, the greater the acceleration
- A horizontal line means the object is moving at a constant speed
- A downward (negative) sloping line means the object is slowing down (decelerating)

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The graph below shows how the speed of a bus changes during part of a journey.



Choose the correct words from the following list to describe the motion during each segment of the journey to fill in the blanks.

- accelerating
- decelerating
- constant speed
- at rest

1) Segment 0-A The bus is accelerating	Its speed
changes from 0 to 10 m/s in 5 seconds.	

2) Segment A-B The bus is moving at a Constant Special of 10m/s for 5 seconds.

3) Segment B-C The bus is <u>Accelerating</u>. It is slowing down from 10 m/s to rest in 3 seconds.

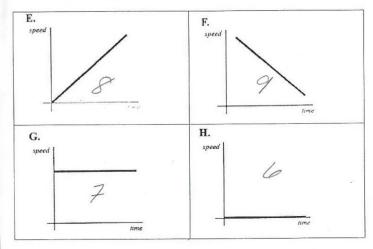
4) Segment C-D The bus is at rest It has stopped.

5) Segment D-E The bus is <u>ACCELVATING</u>
It is gradually increasing in speed.

The speed-time graphs below represent the motion of a car. Match the descriptions with the graphs. Explain your answers.

Descriptions:

- 6. The car is stopped.
- 7. The car is traveling at a constant speed.
- 8. The car is accelerating.
- 9. The car is slowing down.



Graph E matches description & because the positive
Slope regresents an increase in spece
Graph F matches description 9 because 4he stope is
negative representing a decrease in spece
Graph G matches description 7 because if is a
poriental line meaning constant.
Graph H matches description because 14 at
zero speed