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- An object acted upon by an unbalanced force will accelerate in the direction of the force.
- Force = Mass x Acceleration

SI Units of Force

- 1 Newton (N) = 1 kg * m/s2


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- $\mathrm{F}=\mathrm{ma}$


## Weight

- WEIGHT is a measure of the force of GRAVITY on the mass of an object
- ACCELERATION of GRAVITY(Earth) $=9.81 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s} 2$

Weight (force) = mass x gravity (Earth)

- Your weight on Earth is the gravitational force between you and Earth.


## Gravity and Weight

- Weight is a force, like the push of your hand is a force, and is measured in newtons.
- Mass is the amount of matter in an object, and doesn't depend on location.
- Weight will vary with location, but mass will remain constant.


## Moon's gravity is $1 / 6$ of the Earth's

- If you weigh 420 Newtons on earth, what will you weigh on the Moon?
- If your mass is 41.5 Kg on Earth what is your mass on the Moon?

