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ENGINEER

1. What is the Conservation of Momentum?

2. Conservation of Momentum Demonstration. (See teacher for supplies.)

- a) Have one five-pound weight in each hand (a total of 10 pounds.)
- b) Sit on a rotating office stool or chair.
- c) Hold your arms (with the weights in each hand) straight to the side.
- d) Have one of your classmates lightly spin the stool.
- e) Make note of how fast you are spinning.
- f) Slowly move your arms into your body.
- g) Make note of how fast you are spinning.
- h) Slowly move your arms straight to your sides again. Note your speed again.

Virtual Demonstration: View the following website for a demonstration of Conservation of Angular Momentum.

Questions:

1. What happened to your speed when you pulled your arms into your body?

2. How does this demonstration explain the Conservation of Momentum?

Change in Pressure Demonstration

- a) Obtain a balloon from your teacher.
- b) Blow into the balloon. Seal the end with your finger.
- c) Let go of the balloon.

Questions:

- a. What kind of pressure did you have in the balloon (High or Low) when you sealed it?

- b. In comparison, what kind of pressure did you have in the room (High or Low)?

- c. When you released the balloon, did the air flow from high pressure to low pressure or vice versa?

- d. How is the strength of the force of wind related to air pressure difference?