UNIT 1: DESCRIBING MOTION PRACTICE

- 1. The position-time graph on the right shows the motion of three different pedestrians walking along a sidewalk, creatively named A, B and C.
 - a) Compare the starting positions for A, B, and C.
 - **b)** Compare the speeds for A, B, and C. Compare the velocities for A, B, and C.
 - c) Explain what crossings x and y (intersections) represent.
- **2.** The position-time graph on the right shows the motion of two cars.
 - a) Compare the starting positions for A and B.
 - b) Compare the velocities for A and B.



time (s)

position (m)

3. Laura, roller skating down a marked sidewalk, was observed to be at the following positions at the times listed below:



a) Plot a position vs. time graph for the skater.

b) Was her speed constant over the entire interval? How do you know?

4. Describe the following ticker tapes...

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5. Another ticker tape below shows the specific distance of the dots. A dot was made every 2 seconds. What is the average speed of the object between A and D?



6. You are driving to Target, because you need Halloween gear, at a constant velocity. You then stop, park, and go in to shop. Draw a position vs. time graph for the car. For bonus points, draw the corresponding velocity vs. time graph.



7. 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: **negative acceleration, positive acceleration, constant velocity, at rest**



VELOCITY

- 1. In one-half hour, a bicyclist traveled 20 kilometers. What was the bicyclist's average speed?
- 2. When would a landslide that is traveling 112 m/min hit Seattle that is 15000 m away?



ACCELERATION

- 1. A car rolling down a ramp starts with a speed of 50 cm/sec. The car keeps rolling and 0.5 seconds later the speed is 150 cm/sec. Calculate the acceleration of the car.
- 2. What is the acceleration of a bike that goes from 38 km/hr to a stop in 0.00125 hr?