Study Guide for Force and Motion Test

Force Something that changes an object's state of

rest or motion.

Motion The change in an objects position over time.

Friction The force that results from two surfaces

rubbing against one another.

Gravity A force that pulls anything on the Earth's

surface toward the center of the Earth.

rest, and a moving object to stay in motion,

unless a force is introduced.

Newton's 2nd Law The greater the mass of an object being

accelerated, the greater the amount of

force needed.

Newton's 3rd Law For every action there is an equal and

opposite reaction.

Acceleration An increase in an object's velocity.

Velocity How fast and in what direction an object is

traveling.

Momentum The **amount of motion** an object has.

Potential energy Energy that is stored up in an object

because of its position.

Kinetic Energy The **energy** that an object has because it is

moving.

Explain how friction can be helpful. For example the brakes on a car, traction on the bottom of your shoes, and skiing down a hill.