

PHYSICS - Reflection and Refraction

LEARNING **OBJECTIVES**

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Reflection in a Plane Mirror



















Laws of reflection:

- 1. The angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection.
- 2. The incident ray, the reflected ray and the normal all lie in the same plane (i.e. the two rays and the normal can all be drawn on a single sheet of flat paper).















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Normal view from the front.



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Same view as seen in the rear view mirror of a car.





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The word AMBULANCE is laterally inverted so that it reads correctly when seen in a driving mirror.

Finding this image by experiment.



Put a mirror upright on a piece of paper. Put a pin in front of the mirror - mark the position of the pin and mirror.

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Line up one edge of the ruler with the image of the pin. Draw a line to mark the position.

Finding this image by experiment.



Repeat with the ruler in a different position.

Finding this image by experiment.



Take away the ruler and mirror where the two lines meet is the position of the image.

Finding this image by experiment.



Test the position by putting a second pin exactly where the image was marked. The second pin should stay in line with the mirror image where-ever you view it from = <u>no</u> parallax.

Finding this image by experiment.



Rules for mirror images: 1. Image is the same size as the object. 2. Image is as far behind the mirror as the object is in front.

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• A 'medium' is glass, or air, or water

























Connecting the learning.

What happens as a ray of light enters a glass block?

It bends towards the normal.

Why? Because the speed of light changes

Real and Apparent Depth





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The refractive index of a medium (glass, water) is defined as the speed of light in a vacuum divided by the speed of light in the medium.

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of a medium (alass.	Vacuum	1.0000
water) is defined as	Air	1.0003
the speed of light in	Water	1.3333
a vacuum divided by	Glass	1.5200
the speed of light in	Diamond	2.4170
the medium.	Perspex	1.4900

Refractive index = Speed of light in a vacuum Speed of light in medium













It happens because white is a mixture of all the colours in the rainbow

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