

4. This problem differs from the second one in that it has a non-zero value for the initial velocity. We use the same equation as was used in the second problem with a negative value for the initial velocity because the rock was initially thrown downward.

$$d = v_0 t + (1/2) a t^2$$

$$d = (-5\text{m/s})(2\text{ s}) + (1/2)(-9.8\text{ m/s}^2)(2\text{ s})^2$$

$$d = -10\text{ m} - 19.6\text{ m} = -29.6\text{ m}$$

Note the negative sign indicating that the displacement is downward as might be expected.