Use the Quadratic Equation to solve the 3 Drop Rock Transitions below - See How to Solve Any Equation First

TRANSITION A

Changing A requires a different gravity. How long would it take for the Rock to hit the Ground on the Moon where Gravity = 1.6m/s²? Show Solution Reset

$$0 = (-0.8) X^{2} + (0) X + 490$$

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Ground $(\frac{1}{2})$ Gravity Init Velocity Height
$$Y=0 \quad A = -0.8 \quad B = 0 \quad C = 490$$

Use Quadratic Equation to solve for X

$$\times = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{(0)^2 - (4)(-0.8)(490)}}{(2)(-0.8)}$$

$$X = \frac{\pm \sqrt{1568}}{-1.6} = \frac{-39.6}{-1.6}$$

X = 24.75 Seconds

TRANSITION B

If we threw the rock rather than just drop the rock, there would be initial velocity and **B** would not equal 0.

How long would it take for the Rock to hit the ground, if we threw it up $20^{\text{meters}}/_{\text{second}}$? Show Solution

$$0 = (-4.9) \times^{2} + (20) \times + 490$$
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Ground $(\frac{1}{2})$ Gravity Init Velocity Height
 $Y=0 \quad A = -4.9 \quad B = 20 \quad C = 490$

Use Quadratic Equation to solve for X

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{-20 \pm \sqrt{(-20)^2 - (4)(-4.9)(490)}}{(2)(-4.9)}$$

$$X = \frac{-20 \pm \sqrt{10004}}{-9.8} = \frac{-20 \pm 100}{-9.8}$$

$$X = \frac{-120}{-9.8} = 12.24$$
 Seconds

TRANSITION C

What if used a different building that was 700 meters tall, then C would = 700. How long would it take for the Rock to hit the ground?

Show Solution

$$0 = (-4.9) \times^{2} + (0) \times + 700$$

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Ground $(\frac{1}{2})$ Gravity Init Velocity Height
$$Y=0 \quad A = -4.9 \quad B=0 \quad C=700$$

Use Quadratic Equation to solve for X

$$\times = \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{(0)^2 - (4)(-4.9)(700)}}{(2)(-4.9)}$$

$$X = \frac{\pm \sqrt{13720}}{-9.8} = \frac{-117.1}{-9.8}$$