

Forces and Magnets



- •A force is a push or a pull.
- Friction is a stopping force.
- •Things move differently on different surfaces (e.g table, carpet, cardboard, lino, concrete) depending upon the amount of friction they exert on the object moving over them .
- •You can not see forces but you can sometimes see and feel the effects of them.
- •Contact forces are created when objects touch each other. Non-contact forces such as magnetism can happen at a distance, without touching.
- Magnets can attract (pull) and repel (push) each other.
- •Magnets have a **north pole** and a **south pole**.
- •When opposite poles meet the magnets will attract, when the same pole meets they repel.



A compass pointing towards north.

<u> Tier 2 Vocabulary</u>

Force – A push or pull upon an object. **Friction** – A force that slows down an object moving over the surface of another.

Tier 3 Vocabulary

Contact force - A force that can only work when the objects are touching.

Non contact force - A force that can work when the objects aren't touching.



This is a contact force. The man would need to touch the trolly to make it move. .