Cliff Problems

- 1. A ball rolls off the edge of a table. It has an initial horizontal velocity of 3 m/s and is in the air for 0.75 seconds before hitting the floor.
 - a. How high is the table?
 - b. How far away (horizontally) from the edge of the table does the ball land?
 - c. What are the horizontal and vertical components of the ball's velocity when it lands?
 - d. How fast is the ball going when it lands?

- 2. The Coyote is chasing the Road Runner when the Road Runner suddenly stops at the edge of a convenient cliff. The Coyote, traveling with a speed of 15 m/s, does not stop and goes flying off the edge of the cliff, which is 100 meters high.
 - a. How long is the Coyote in the air?
 - b. Where does the Coyote land?
 - c. What are the horizontal and vertical components of the Coyote's velocity when he lands?

d. How fast is the Coyote going when he lands?

3. A car full of bad guys goes off the edge of a cliff. If the cliff was 75 meters high, and the car landed 60 meters away from the edge of the cliff, calculate the following:

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- a. The total time the car was in the air.
- b. The initial velocity of the car. (Give the components.)
- c. The final velocity of the car just as it hits the ground. (Give the components.)
- d. The final speed of the car just as it hits the ground.

Answers:

c)
$$v_x = 3 \text{ m/s } \& v_y = -7.5 \text{ m/s}$$

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$$v_x = 15 \text{ m/s } \& v_y = -44.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{x} = 15.5 \text{ m/s } \& v_{y} = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

b)
$$v_x = 15.5 \text{ m/s } \& v_y = 0 \text{ m/s}$$
 c) $v_x = 15.5 \text{ m/s } \& v_y = -38.7 \text{ m/s}$