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6. A projectile launched over level ground reaches a maximum height of 23m and has a range of 98m. Find the initial velocity of the projectile.

7. A paper bag filled with wasabi and human teeth is thrown at 14.4m/s [77o above horizontal] from the top of a 22.6m building. Find the range of the flight.

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10. A bus drives horizontally off of a cliff at 24.0m/s. The crash scene investigator forgot to bring a tape measure, but does have a long piece of rope. She determines that the bus landed at a distance from the base of the cliff that is 1.80 times the height of the cliff. Determine the height of the cliff.

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