3. A manufacturer tests whether a Perspex lens will break during an impact.

The lens is placed on a stand and a steel ball is dropped from rest onto the lens.

The ball has a mass of $1\cdot 59\times 10^{-2}$ kg and is dropped from a height of $1\cdot 27$ m above the lens.



(a) Calculate the speed of the ball as it reaches the lens.

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(b) The ball collides with the lens and rebounds upwards.

The magnitude of the change in momentum of the ball is 0.14 kg m s^{-1} . Calculate the speed of the ball immediately after it rebounds from the lens.

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(c) The collision between the ball and the lens is inelastic.

Explain what is meant by an inelastic collision.

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(d) The test is repeated with a second lens made of a softer material. Explain why this would make the lens less likely to break.

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