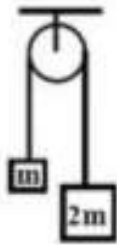
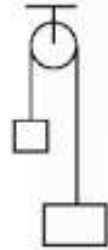


**Q 1** A light inextensible string that goes over a smooth fixed pulley as shown in the figure connects two blocks of masses 0.36 kg and 0.72 kg. Taking  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ , find the work done (in **joules**) by the string on the block of mass 0.36 kg during the first second after the system is released from rest.

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**ans**

Applying Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law,

$$2mg - T = 2ma$$

$$T - mg = ma$$

$$\Rightarrow a = g/3$$

$$T = 4mg/3$$

$$W = \text{Tension} \cdot \text{Displacement} = T \cdot \frac{1}{2} at^2 = 8 \text{ Joules}$$