## Who Is Richer?

You have 9.8 N of gold. You have an astronaut friend who is on the Moon. She also has 9.8 N of gold. Who is richer?

1. You are richer

Jew

100%

(2. Your friend is richer) 60%

3. You are equally rich 40%

You are at rest 1000 km above the surface of the Earth

What happens to you?

- Remain at rest as there is no gravity above the atmosphere.
- 2. Remain at rest as you are in a weightless state and therefore gravity is zero. *▶*
- 3. Gravity is very small and it will take a long time for you to fall back to Earth. 75%
- 4. Gravity is the almost the same as near the Earth's surface and you will quickly fall back to Earth.

At 1000 km, g is 75% of the value here.

You are in a spaceship orbiting the Earth 1000 km above the Earth's surface.

You step on bathroom scales. What will the scale read?

- 1. 75% of your weight as measured on the surface of the Earth. (10%)
- 2. Your weight as measured at the surface of the Earth. 2 1 person
- 3. You feel weightless so your mass is zero and the reading is zero.
- 4. Gravity causes the spaceship, you, and the scale to all freefall. You and the scale are at rest relative to each other so the reading is zero.