12 A girl is practising netball.

She throws the ball from a height of 1.5 m above horizontal ground and aims to get the ball through a hoop.

The hoop is 2.5 m vertically above the ground and is 6 m horizontally from the point of projection.

The situation is modelled as follows.

- The initial velocity of the ball has magnitude $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$.
- The angle of projection is 40° .
- The ball is modelled as a particle.
- The hoop is modelled as a point.

This is shown on the diagram below.





(a) For U = 10, find

- (i) the greatest height above the ground reached by the ball [5]
- (ii) the distance between the ball and the hoop when the ball is vertically above the hoop.

[4]

(b) Calculate the value of U which allows her to hit the hoop. [3]

(c) How appropriate is this model for predicting the path of the ball when it is thrown by the girl? [1]

(d) Suggest one improvement that might be made to this model. [1]