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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 152, G-BNSI

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1981

Date & Time (UTC): 6 June 1995 at 1550 hrs

Location: Shoreham Airport, West Sussex

Type of Flight: Private (Training)

Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Nose landing gear separated; engine mountings, fuselage skin and propeller damaged	
Commander's Licence:	Student Pilot	
Commander's Age:	47 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	39 hours (of which 32 were on type) Last 90 days - Not known Last 28 days - 18 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

Following the initial circuit of a first solo flight the aircraft struck a bump on the runway surface and bounced twice, each time landing nose wheel first. This landing seemed normal to both the student and her instructor who was watching from the control tower. After the second bounce, the nose gear collapsed and the aircraft slid to a halt on the runway. There was no fire but the Airport Fire Service attended the accident and assisted the student from the aircraft.