## Buoyancy Study Guide

- 1. What is buoyant force?
- 2. How do you find the buoyant force on an object?
- 3. What determines whether an object will float or sink?
- 4. What is density?
- 5. How is density calculated?
- 6. How can density tell you what an unknown substance is?
- 7. A 500g ball has a volume of 250 ml. What is its density?
- 8. What is the volume of a piece of metal with a mass of 622g and a density of 19.3 g/ml?
- 9. M = 50g, V = 455ml, D = ?
- 10. M = ?, V = 76ml, D = 14.2g/ml
- 11. How does density determine whether an object will float or sink?
- 12. What is Archimedes' principal?
- 13. How do hot air balloons demonstrate the physics of buoyancy?
- 14. Why does a block of metal sink and a boat of metal float?
- 15. Will a rubber ducky that has a mass of 20 grams and a volume of 23.4 ml sink or float? How do you know?
- 16. What are two ways you might be able to take something that does not float and make it float?
- 17. Sliver has a density of 10.5 g/cm3 and gold has a density of 19.3 g/cm3. Which would have a greater mass, 7 cm3 of silver of 3 cm3 of gold?
- 18. Describe two ways to find the volume of an object.
- 19. What is displacement?
- 20. Name something that is neutrally buoyant.
- 21. If the water displaced (pushed out of the way) weighs LESS than the boat, the boat will \_\_\_\_
- 22. The fact that a heavy steel cargo ship can carry a large load without sinking illustrates \_\_\_\_\_\_ principle.
- 23. One half a tennis ball floats \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the water than a whole tennis ball.





- 24. What is the density of carbon dioxide gas if 0.25 g occupies a volume of 100 mL?
- 25. A block of rock salt has a mass of 9.5 g and a density of 2.4 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate its volume.
- 26. A 2.0 cm<sup>3</sup> piece of chocolate has a density of 1.15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate its mass.
- 27. A 21 g rock was placed into a graduated cylinder holding a volume of vinegar equal to 9.0 mL. The height of the vinegar rose to 17.0 mL. What is the density of the rock?
- 28. A block of wood 3.0 cm on each side has a mass of 16 g. What is the density of this block? (remember the volume of a cube is side x side x side)
- 29. A lounge chair has a mass of 2500 g and a volume of 3200 cm<sup>3</sup>. Calculate the density. If you were to throw the chair in the pool, would it sink or float? Assume that the density of the pool water is 1 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
- 30. Draw a picture of a boat on the water. Label the forces acting on the boat.
- 31. Draw the best design for a foil barge.
- 32. Which would have more buoyant force: a completely submerged brick made of styrofoam or the same size brick made of stone? Why?
- 33. A graduated cylinder contains 25 mL of water. An object placed in the cylinder causes the water level to rise to 43 mL. What is the volume of the object?
- 34. How do submarines and fish control buoyancy in water?
- 35. Explain why life jackets keep you afloat (include mass, volume, and density in your answer).
- 36. What measurements and what calculations would you need to make in order to determine the density of a rectangular wooden block?
- 37. A student announced that she had made a sample of a new material that had a density of 0.85 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. From the information given, are you able to determine how large of a sample she had made? Explain!
- 38. If an object with a density of 10 g/cm<sup>3</sup> is cut into two equal pieces, what is the density of each piece? Why?
- 39. A rectangular object is 10 centimeters long, 5 centimeter high, and 20 centimeters wide. Its mass is 800 grams. What is the objects volume in cm<sup>3</sup>? What is the objects density in g/cm<sup>3</sup>? Will the objects float or sink in water?
- 40. Solid iron has a density of 7.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Liquid mercury has a density of 13.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Will iron float or sink in mercury? Explain.

