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Things That Float And Things That Don't



Synopsis

It can be surprising which objects float and which don't. An apple floats, but a ball of aluminum foil does not. If that same ball of foil is shaped into a boat, it floats! Why? And how is it possible that a huge ship made of steel can float? Answering these questions about density and flotation is David A. Adler's clear, concise text, paired with Anna Raff's delightful illustrations. Activities that demonstrate the properties of flotation are included.

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Customer Reviews

I bought this to supplement materials in my 2nd grade class for teaching solids and liquids. I saw it at a science conference and then went home and bought it online on for much cheaper than it was sold at the conference. Great book, lots of info for my 2nd graders.

This is a great book for discussing density and solutions. The cover makes it seem like it's aimed for younger learners, but the concepts are applicable for grade 4 and up. Difficult concepts are explained in kid-friendly terms, and several investigations are suggested to help students grasp ideas.

As a science geek I love this book. It definitely is a book that upper elementary - freshman science

teachers should incorporate into their unit on density. It does an amazing job of explaining many concepts (density, cubic foot, water displacement, and solutions). It actually walks readers through the scientific method in a fun and easy to understand way. I appreciate the data table and the accuracy of how data tables should be constructed (title, labels, straight lines, hypotheses). Finally the book sets readers up for many mini experiments to try on their own. This would be a great book to have for sharing because there are not many picture books that explain such a large science concept. I think it is important for upper elementary teachers and beyond to realize the role picture books can play in their teaching.

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