

Solids, Liquids, and Gases - Oh My Answer Key

1. $D = \frac{60}{100} = 0.6 \text{ g/cm}^3 \rightarrow \text{Less than 1.0} \rightarrow \text{Floats.}$
2. $D = \frac{46}{50} = 0.92 \text{ g/mL} \rightarrow \text{Floats on water.}$
3. $m = 7.9 \times 3 = 23.7 \text{ g}$
4. $D = \frac{1.3}{1000} = 0.0013 \text{ g/mL}$
5. $D = \frac{18}{19.6} \approx 0.92 \text{ g/cm}^3 \rightarrow \text{Less than 1.0} \rightarrow \text{Floats.}$
Ice floats because solid water is less dense than liquid water.
6. Ranking (least \rightarrow greatest):
Helium (0.00018) < Water (1.0) < Aluminum (2.7)
7. $D = \frac{0.9}{5000} = 0.00018 \text{ g/mL}$
 \rightarrow Helium is less dense than air ($\sim 0.0013 \text{ g/mL}$), so it rises.
8. $D_{\text{water}} = 1.0 \text{ g/mL}$, $D_{\text{oil}} = 0.9 \text{ g/mL} \rightarrow \text{Oil floats on water.}$
9. True **most of the time**, but not always. Liquids are usually denser than gases because their particles are closer together — but some unusual gases (like compressed gases) can exceed certain liquid densities under extreme pressure.
10. **Regular soda (1.03 g/mL) \rightarrow sinks; Diet soda (0.97 g/mL) \rightarrow floats.**
The sugar makes regular soda slightly denser than water.