FLOATING 8. SINKING

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ask a grown up to read this with you

# Discovery 1

For under 8 year olds

Archimedes is at Eureka!
He splashes into his bath at least ten times a day.
Make sure you see him when you

He was a great scientist.

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He always asked lots of questions to find out how things worked.

Archimedes found out what floats and what sinks in water.



#### **PUZZLES**

**Dot-to-Dot** 

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Dot-to-Dot Words

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### Do this in a bath or in a bowl

## of water - You will need:



an apple



an orange



a banana



a plastic duck



a cork



a small stone



a plastic brick



an egg



a nail



a paper clip

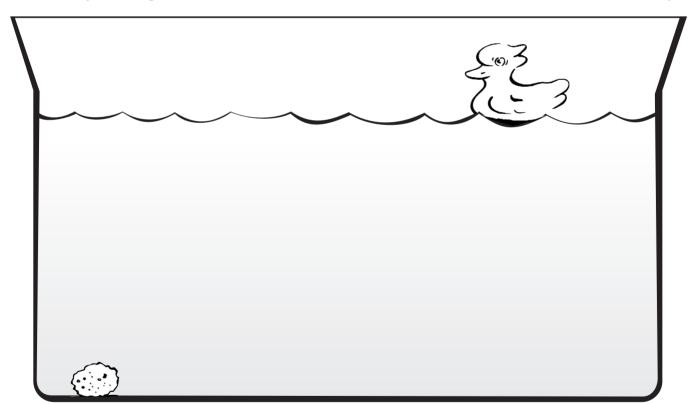


a crayon



a ball of plasticine

- 1. First pick up all the things which you think will float. Put these to one side.
- 2. Now pick up all the things you think will sink to the bottom of the water.
- 3. Test your ideas by putting all your things into the water
- **4.** Draw your things in this bowl of water. Some will be at the bottom. Some will be at the top.



- **5.** The ball of plasticine sinks. Make the plasticine into a flat boat shape.
- 6. Now see if it floats on the water. You can make a sail for it!



#### Water pushes against things and tries to hold them up.

This is why you can swim in water. This is why boats can float on water. If something is too **dense** it sinks to the bottom of the water.