Floating and Sinking Activity Kit – PRO

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This printable kit helps kids explore buoyancy, density, and the scientific method using simple water-based experiments. Perfect for classrooms, STEM weeks, or at-home learning.

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1. Sink or Float Prediction Chart

Record your predictions and results in the chart below:

Item	Prediction	Result	Notes

2. Object Sorting Poster

After testing, sort items into the correct category below:

FLOAT	SINK

3. Why It Floats – Science Explanation

An object floats when the water pushes up with more force than the object's weight pushing down. This upward force is called buoyancy.

Heavy objects like a steel ball sink because their weight is more than the buoyant force. A large boat can float because its shape spreads out its weight and displaces more water.

Try drawing arrows showing the balance of forces on a floating object.

4. STEM Boat Design Challenge

Design a boat	using foil,	sponge, o	r other mate	rials. Then	test how	many coin	ns or marbles	it can hold
before sinking.	. Use the s	pace belo	w to plan an	d record yo	our experi	iment.		

Design Plan:
Materials Used:
Number of Objects Held:
What Worked / What Would You Change?

5. Junior Water Explorer Award Certificate

This certificate is awarded to:	
For demonstrating curiosity, teamwork, and scientific Challenge!	thinking during the Floating and Sinking Activity
Date:	
Instructor Signature:	