

Chem Talk

Read the Chem Talk beginning on **page 138** of the Active Chemistry textbook. Answer the following questions.

- 1) Explain the meaning of density?
- 2) Explain the difference between feathers and lead, using the concept of density.
- 3) Why is balsa wood instead of birch wood used in the construction of model airplanes? [Use the approximate densities table]
- 4) What determines if an object will sink or float in a given material?
- 5) How is the story of Archimedes related to density?
- 6) When adding and subtracting numbers, how many decimal places should the answer have?
- 7) Add/subtract the following numbers:

$$\begin{array}{r} 12.3 \\ 10.000 \\ + 14.2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11.30 \\ 1021.000 \\ - 14.21 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 111 \\ 0.200 \\ + 0.532 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

- 8) When multiplying and dividing numbers, how many significant figures should the answer have?
- 9) Multiply/divide the following numbers:

$$36 * 41.234562 =$$

$$\frac{43.221}{10.000} =$$

$$1.000 * 42.111 =$$

- 10) In an investigation, the volume of a material is measured as 80.0 cm³ and its mass is measured as 253 g. Which calculation of density correctly uses the precision rules: 3.1625 g/cm³, 3.163 g/cm³, 3.16 g/cm³, 3.2 g/cm³, or 3 g/cm³? Why?