

# Chapter 8-2

## Pressure

# Equation

Pressure = Force / Area

$$P = F / A$$

$$\text{Area} = \pi r^2$$

SI unit – is the pascal (Pa)

$$1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N/m}^2$$

Atmosphere pressure at sea  
level =  $1.01 \times 10^5$

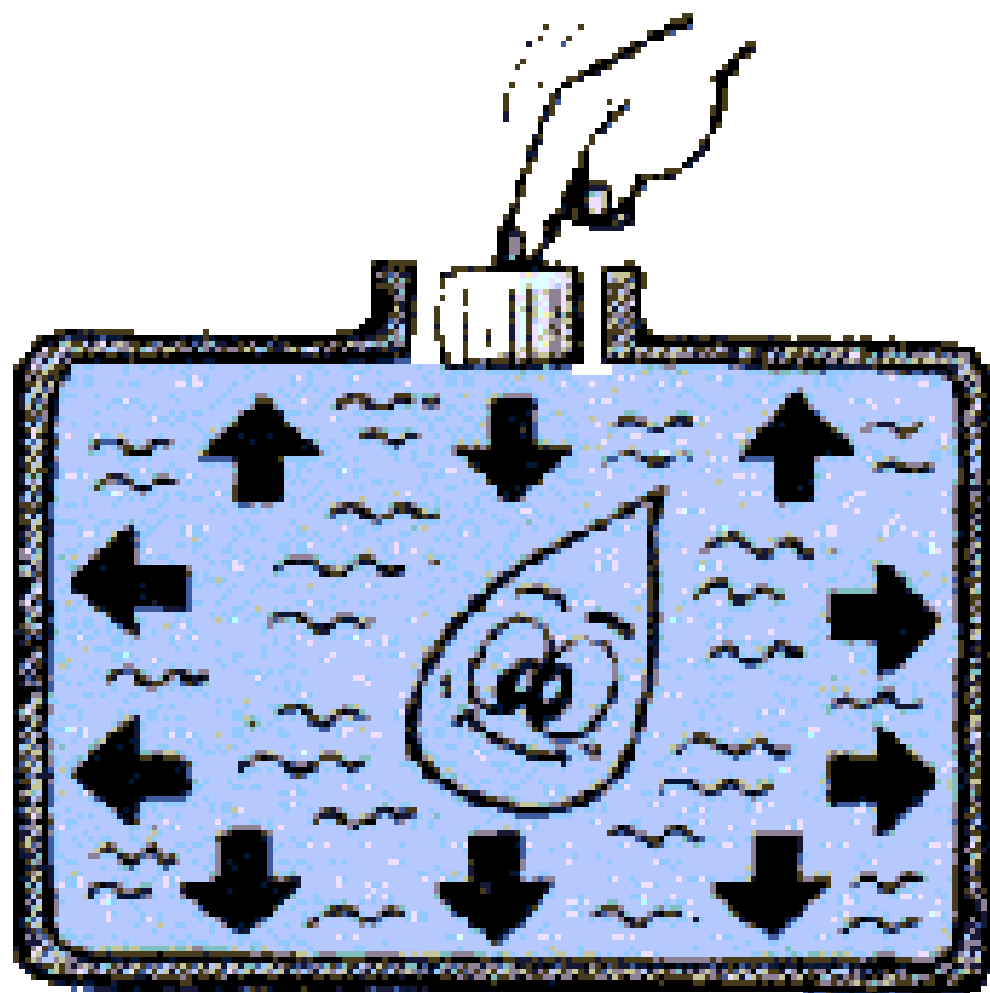
# Bottomless Bottle Demo



# Pascal's Principle

Pascal's Principle – Pressure applied to a fluid in a closed container is transmitted equally to every point of the fluid and to the walls of the container.

$$P = F_1/A_1 = F_2/A_2$$



- ◆ In a car lift, compressed air exerts a force on a piston with a radius of 10 cm. This pressure is transmitted to a second piston with a radius of 15 cm. How large a force must the compressed air exert to lift a 330 N car?

# Atmospheric Pressure

Atmospheric Pressure is pressure from above. The weight of the air in the upper atmosphere exerts a pressure on the layers below.

Kinetic Theory of gases describes the origin of gas pressure. Gas particles are like a collection of billiard balls that constantly collide with one another.

As they collide with the wall, they exert a force and this force per unit area is the gas pressure.

# Pressure and Depth

Absolute pressure =  
atmospheric pressure +  
(density  $\times$  gravity  $\times$  depth)

$$P = P_{\text{atm}} + Dgh$$

# Temperature

Kinetic theory predicts that temperature is proportional to the average kinetic energy of the particles in a gas.

The higher the temperature, the faster the particles move.

As the speed of the particles increase, the amount they hit the wall increases resulting in a higher force and therefore a higher pressure.

Therefore, temperature and pressure are related.

# Assignment



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## Worksheet