Name: _____ DISC: _____

- Do your own work.
- Answer the questions below in the space provided.
- Make sure you show all your work and any equations that you use.
- Please place a box around your answers.
- Remember to give the correct units with all numerical answers

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
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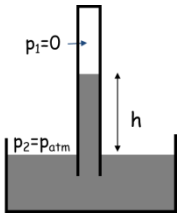
1. A barometer can be used to measure atomspheric pressure (P_{ATM}). In a barometer an evacuated tube is inserted into a pool of liquid, usually mercury. Let's investigate what happens:



$\boldsymbol{\rho}$ MERCURY	$\boldsymbol{P_1}$	$\boldsymbol{P_2}$
$13{,}600\frac{kg}{m^3}$	$0\ Pa$	UNKNOWN

Explanation (2pts):

a. Why is the height of the mercury in the tube related to the atmospheric pressure?

b. You observe the height of mercury in the tube is $760\ mm$. Find the atmospheric pressure (hint: $P_{ATM} = P_1 + \rho g h$)

Pressure (3 pts):

2. Remarkably aircraft carriers don't sink in the ocean. Employ Archimedes' Principle to explain why. (Hint: You may approximate the carrier as a rectangle of area $A_{carrier}$.)

ARCHIMEDES' PRINCIPLE	$\boldsymbol{\rho_{sea}}$	$\boldsymbol{\rho_{steel}}$
$F_B = \rho_{fluid} V_{displaced} g$	$1.025\ g/ml$	$7.9\ g/ml$

Floating Carriers (5 pts):

3. Hook's Law, $F_{spring} = -kx$, describes the force exerted on an object by a spring.

Answer:

a. An object is attached to a horizontal spring and rests on a frictionless surface. The spring is displaced from the equilibrium position. Does the object experience *constant* acceleration (yes/no)?

b. Draw a free-body diagram describing the situation in part (a). Remember to include a coordinate system and all force labels.

Free-body Diagram (2pts):

c. Using $U_{spring} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$ and *energy conservation* explain why the *speed* of the object depends on its *position* (x). Let the initial displacement of the spring be $x_{initial}$.

Explanation (2 pts):

4. Foucault's Pendulum is a simple harmonic oscillator. It was used to demonstrate the rotation of the earth.

Answer:

a. Does Foucault's Pendulum experience constant acceleration (yes/no)?

b. If the pendulum length is $35\ m$, use $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$ to find the period of the pendulum's swing.

Period (2 pts):

c. Now take your Foucault's Pendulum to another planet. You want to measure the acceleration of gravity. You set up your pendulum and notice that $T = 3.5T_{Earth}$. What is the acceleration of gravity on the new planet, g_{new}?

g_{new} (2 pts):