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Introduction

The PADI Open Water Diver Class is divided into three parts: Classroom, Confined Water and Four actual Open Water Dives with a qualified PADI instructor. Each part is fun and ensures that you learn what you need to enjoy diving to the fullest.

A complete modular program of classroom, pool sessions will train you to have fun while being safe. You will become comfortable entering the underwater world.

The class will take you through the classroom portion and confined water (pool) sessions. After completing the course you will receive college credit. Completing this class for college credit will not entitle the student to a complete PADI certification. It will, however, take the student to the point of the open water check-out dives which are required by PADI for certification. This trip will be scheduled for a date after school has ended. The trip will be optional. Cost for this trip will be determined at a later date.

Materials

Classroom

- (a) Textbook
- (b) Dive Tables
- (c) Writing materials

Note: Textbook will be purchased from the instructor.

Pool

- (a) Bathing Suit
- (b) T-shirt
- (c) Towel
- (d) Dry clothing
- (e) Mask, Fins, Snorkel
- (f) Swim goggles suggested but not required.

Grading overview as follows:

1)	Homework	2%x5=10%
2)	Quizzes	5%x4=20%
3)	Pool Skills	30%
4)	Final	40%

Students must make a score of 75% or better on all quizzes and exams. If a score is less than 75% on a quiz then a make-up quiz or exam will be allowed. Note that the first grade will be entered as your grade for the quiz or exam. However, PADI requires a passing grade on all quizzes and finals before a referral letter or open water check-out can be given to the student.



SUGGESTED EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR ASSIGNING LETTER GRADES TO DIVING SKILLS

LETTER GRADE	DESCRIPTION	INTERPRETATION
A	Excellent	This denotes a skill performance done so well that it could be used for demonstration purposes. It must be done in a very calm, controlled and fluid manner without any problems or difficulties. Anxiety level is low
В	Good	This denotes a skill done with a high degree of competence and Control with a low anxiety level. It should appear natural, though it does not have the same control, fluidity as an "A" letter grade.
С	Average	A performance with no significant problems observed, though it lacks the polished, natural look of a "B" letter grade.
D	Below Average	This denotes a skill, which even though successfully completed, demonstrated significant problems / errors. It may have required repeated attempts, and the anxiety level is usually though not necessarily, high. Students receiving this score should be required to practice and repeat performance at a later time.
F	Unacceptable	This denotes the inability to complete the skill, or performance so poor that competence cannot be inferred. Students receiving this score should be required to practice and repeat performance at a later time.

ATTENDANCE

Each absence will result in a two point penalty from final grade, regardless of the reason. No excused absences.

READING ASSIGNMENTS

August 30	Pay for class and pick up text books.
September 6	Module One and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
September 13	Module Two and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
October 4	Module Three and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
October 18	Module Four and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
November 15	Module Five and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in. Module five is a review class. Their will be no quiz for this class. Final Exam will follow the review.
December 6	Final Exam / Classroom. All test will be graded and reviewed same night.

POOL SESSIONS

September 20	First pool session. Will need Mask, Fins, Snorkel and Booties which are required for class. We will be swimming 200 yards, Treading water for Ten minutes and learning proper snorkeling and proper weighting for class. (Pool start time 6:pm)
September 27	In this session we will be using scuba gear for the first time. We will be covering water skills outlined in Module One of the text and video.(Pool start time 6:pm)
October 11	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Two of the text and video. (Pool start time 6:pm)
October 25	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Three of the text and video. (Pool start time 6:pm)
November 1	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Four of the text and video. (Pool start time 6:pm)
November 8	Review for pool final. I want everyone to do well on their final so will go over each and skill to make sure your ready.
November 29	<u>Pool Final</u> , Skills required will be as follows: Mask removal and replacement, Regulator recovery and clear, Free flow breathing, Alternate air source use with buddy, Emergency ascent.

Special Note: Anyone needing help with any pool skills or classrooms work please feel free to contact me at 770-918-8818 or ultadv@mindspring.com . I will do everything I can to work you into a special pool session or classroom if need be to get your skills up to the level required to pass. Web Page www.divingadventure.com