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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		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

January 19	Pay for class and pick up text books.
January 26	Module One and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
February 02	Module Two and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
February 16	Module Three and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
March 22	Module Four and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in.
April 12	Module Five and complete Knowledge Reviews to be turned in. Module five is a review class. Their will be no quiz for this class.
April 26	<u>Final Exam</u> / Classroom. All test will be graded and reviewed same night.

POOL SESSIONS

February 09	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.
February 23	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.
March 01	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Two of the text and video.
March 08	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Three of the text and video.
March 29	In this session we will cover water skills outlined in Module Four of the text and video.
April 05	In this session we will review all water skills and get ready for the pool final.
April 19	<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.
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Class will be divided into two groups for pool sessions. These groups will meet at different times. Times will be as followed:

(Everyone will meet at pool on February 09 at 6:30pm for swim and snorkeling)

Group (A) Will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in pool area on February 23 Group (B) Will meet from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in pool area on February 23

Group (B) Will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in pool area on March 01 Group (A) Will meet from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in pool area on March 01

Group (A) Will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in pool area on March 08 Group (B) Will meet from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in pool area on March 08

Group (B) Will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in pool area on March 29 Group (A) Will meet from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in pool area on March 29

Group (A) Will meet from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in pool area on April 05 Group (B) Will meet from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in pool area on April 05

Group (B) Will meet from 6:00pm to 8:30pm in pool area on April 19th for Pool Final Group (A) Will meet from 6:00pm to 8:30pm in pool area on April 19th for Pool Final

Note: Pool sessions could run until 9:00pm.

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