

An  $1 \times 1 \times 1$  meter cube of light foam ( $\rho_f = 20 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ) is initially suspended in air ( $\rho_a = 1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ) from a force scale. The cube is then gradually lowered into a large tank of water ( $\rho_w = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ). The acceleration of gravity is  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

What does the force scale read when ...

- a) The cube is entirely in the air?
- b) The cube is fully submerged in the water?
- c) If the cube is dropped and left floating on the water, what will be the distance between the cube bottom and the water surface?