**Biology** 

Classification information Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organism (common name): Brown algae

Kingdom: Protista Order: Species:

**Phylum: Phaeophyta** Family:

Class: Scientific name:

**1. Special description:** pigments (chlorphyll a and b, and caratenoids), Algin: gelatinous coating used as ice cream thickener

2. Habitat: marine rocks and ocean floor

3. Symmetry/shape: Unicellular N/A, nondescript shape

**4. Organization:** Unicellular; colonial, forms thallus of stemlike & leaflike structures, also air bladders

5. Integument: unicellular, cell wall contains silica

6. Skeleton: Unicellular N/A

7. Musculature: Unicellular N/A

**8. Movement:** Sessile, floaters

**9. Behavior/activity:** Taxes, Migrates toward food, retreats from glass

10. Nervous system: Unicellular, N/A

11. Senses/detection: Unicellular, chemotaxis

**12. Nutrition:** Heterotrophic, complex carbohydrate storage

**13. Digestive:** phagocytosis, food vacuole, enzymes

**14. Circulation:** Unicellular N/A, diffusion

**15. Respiration-ventilation:** Unicellular N/A

**16. Final electron acceptor:** O<sub>2</sub>

17. Excretory: Unicellular egestion

18. Reproduction: Sexual

19. Life cycle/embryology: Unicellular sexual-asexual

**20. Classification:** 1) Pigments, 2) Food storage, 3) Cell wall composition