

Sylvia Earle

Class Activities for Grades 3-6

1. Create a Poster

Dr. Sylvia Earle was the first woman to serve as chief scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and in 1998, became the National Geographic Society's first female explorer in residence. Using words and images, create a colorful poster that persuades people that Sylvia Earle's quest to protect the oceans and life on earth is an important one. Words to consider are, hero, environment, animals, plants, human, sustain, Sylvia Earle, pollution, oceanographer, marine life, protector, explorer, pioneer, woman, habitat, destruction, sanctuaries, marine biology, future, restore etc.

2. Write a letter of appreciation

You now know that Sylvia Earle was a dedicated marine scientist and protector of the ocean. Write a letter of appreciation thanking her for her efforts in the field of marine science and/or her support of young women pursuing science. Be sure to site evidence or details from the presentation you saw or from further readings and research.

3. Write a paragraph and illustrate it

Sylvia Earle's lifelong legacy is to "be kind to the world and the world will be kind to you." Considering Dr. Earle's commitment to protecting the ocean, write a paragraph that explains what this quote means and why it is important. Choose your favorite ocean plant or animal and create a drawing or image of it. Include your picture at the bottom or top of your paragraph.

4. Write a letter to your favorite sea animal

Write a letter to your favorite sea animal. Tell them about the ways Dr. Earle is trying to protect them. Include a drawing please!