# Stage 4: Scientific Explorations Modern Marine Science

Science – Using observation and experimentation to find answers (empirical evidence).

#### Scientific Exploration

- James Cook: Mid 1700's
  - Figured out how to prevent scurvy (A crippling disease caused by vitamin C deficiency)
  - http://dl.nfsa.gov.au/module/1318/
  - 1<sup>st</sup> to use chronometer (accurate clock or watch) to determine longitude.
  - Mapped many islands in the Pacific including Australia and New Zealand.



James Harrison: Invented the chronometer.

 The chronometer is a clock invented to be used specifically at sea. This allowed sailors to accurately comparing Greenwich Mean time to the local time.





### Cornelis Drebbel- 1620 1<sup>st</sup> submarine

http://www.dutchsubmarines.com/specials/special\_drebbel.htm

- Benjamin Franklin, US postmaster, wanted to know why it took longer for mail to come from Europe to America than vice versa
  - Later he drew an accurate map of the Gulf Stream



Ben Franklin's Gulf Stream- Image 1

#### Matthew Fontaine Maury: American Naval Officer

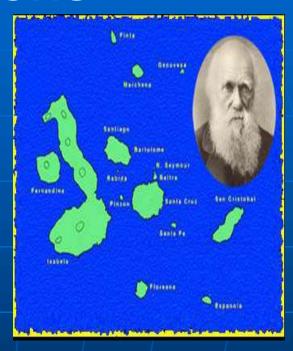
- "The Father of Oceanography"
- Studied currents and other physical aspects of the sea
- 1855 analyzed the logbooks of navy ships and published the first books on oceanography called
  - The Physical Geography of the Sea

#### More Exploration

- •<u>Thomas Jefferson</u>: 1807 authorized *Survey of the Coast* (the predecessor to NOAA)
  - •NOAA- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- •Charles Wilkes: 1836 the Wilkes Expedition (U.S. Exploring Expedition) proved the existence of Antarctica.

### Charles Darwin Marine Contributions

- naturalist
  - 1831, sailed on the HMS Beagle
  - Studied coral reef construction and theorized that corals build upward as the seafloor receded (this is still accepted today)
  - Found new species of plants and animals.
  - Proposed Theory of Natural Selection in his publication the "Origin of Species"





#### Galapagos Tortoise

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Marine Iguana http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VfZQfCkKu

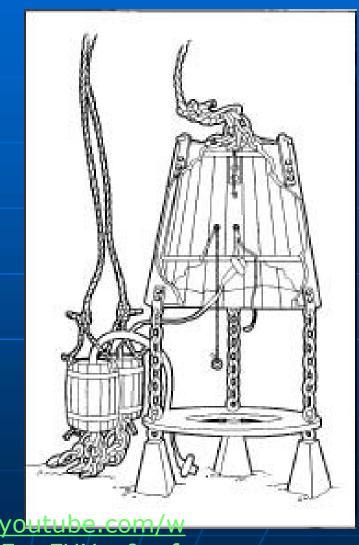
#### HMS Challenger- 1873-1876

- First exploration mission devoted entirely to marine science
- Led by Sir Charles Thompson
- Collected water, sediment, and temp data
- Identified more than 4700 new species of marine organisms
- Challenger II expedition discovered the "Challenger Deep" in the Mariana's trench. (over 35,000 ft. deep, deepest known point in the ocean)

## Technology Advancements in Marine Science

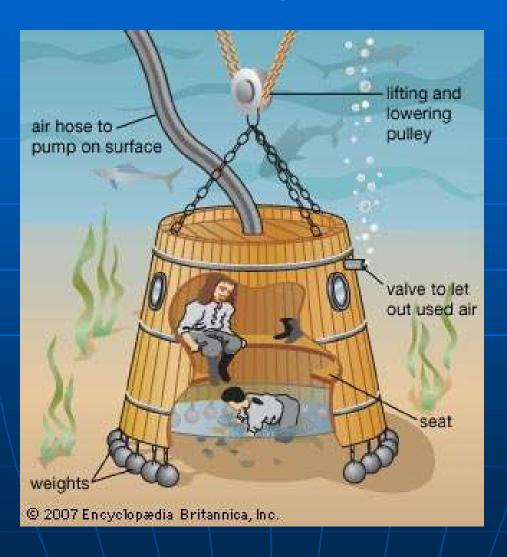
#### Exploring the Ocean

- Under world called Inner Space
- 2500 B.C., glass was discovered and the first mask was made
- In the 17<sup>th</sup> century a diving chamber/bell was invented
- Later came a diving suit



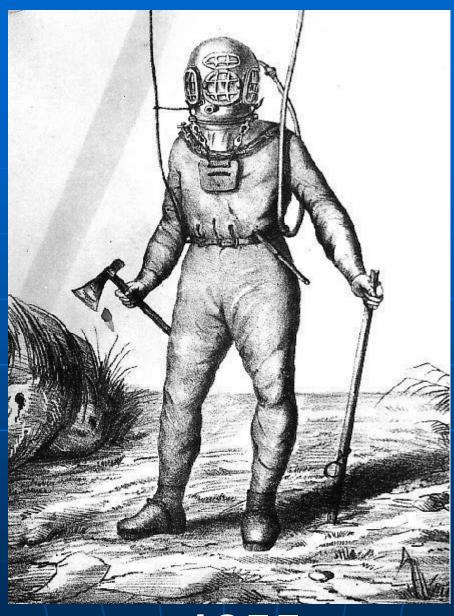
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#### Diving Bell









#### The Modern Scuba Tank

- 1943- Jacques Cousteau and Emile
   Gagnan made final improvements
- A tank with compressed air was developed that was strapped on the diver's back
- air breathed through a regulator
- marketed as the <u>aqua-lung</u>
- S.C.U.B.A Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus.

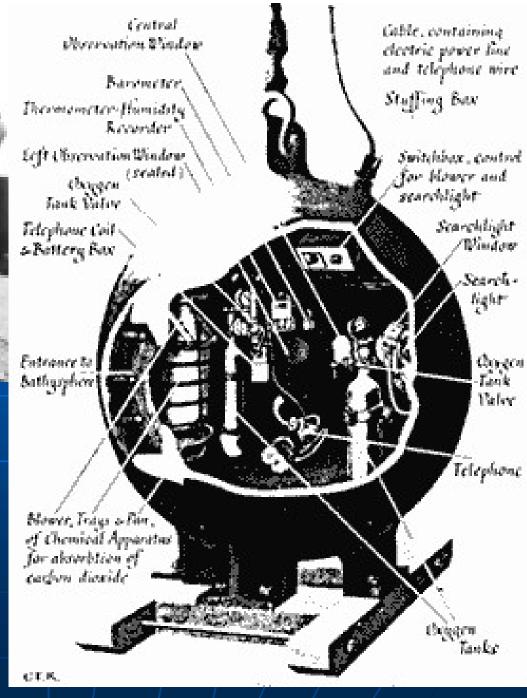


#### 1880 to 1950

- V. Walfrid Ekman Figured out the Ekman
   Spirals and Ekman Layer
- Fridtjof Nansen Made the Nansen Bottle.
   Now people could take samples of water from <u>different</u> depths of water.
- Beebe and Barton First bathysphere to
   4,000 feet
  - Steel sphere at the end of a long cable (tethered)



The Bathysphere



#### Diving Vessels

#### Also called submersibles

- Bathysphere, allowed aquanauts to go to deeper depths
- 2. Bathyscaphe is a steel untethered submersible that could be controlled. Deepest dive in history (1960).
- 3. Alvin is a self-propelled machine with mechanical arms that can pick up specimens and can carry three humans
- 4. JASON, a robot, does not carry people

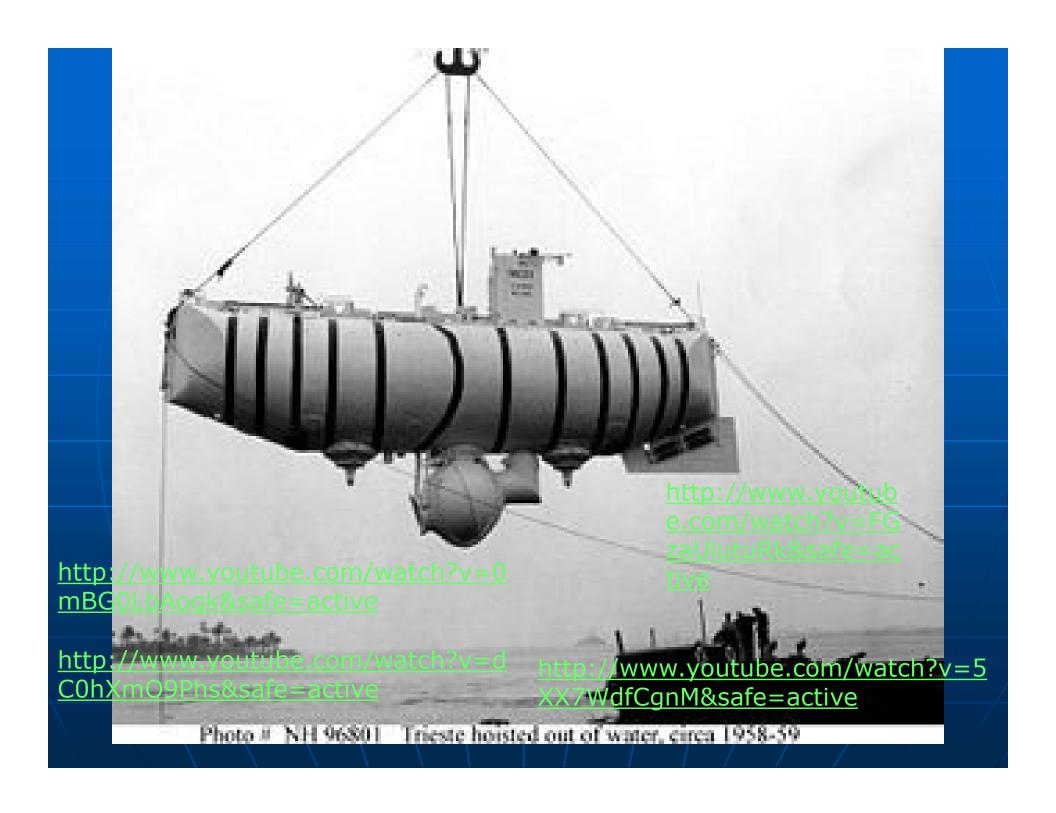


#### Buoyancy

- Discovered around 200 B.C. by Archimedes
- Definition: The force on any object is equal to the weight of the liquid that the object displaces
  - Buoyancy was the reason the Titanic sank

- Marie Thorp and Bruce Heezen made the first map of the ocean bottom and provided evidence for the theory of Continental Drift.
- Auguste Piccard First bathyscaphe to reach the bottom of the Mariana's Trench at 35,800 feet.







This trip was made in 1960 and **never** Repeated!! The decent took 4 hours and 48 minutes.

Don Walsh and Jacques Piccard inside *Trieste* 

## The *Meteor*, a German ship, 25 months on Atlantic ocean using sonar

- Sonar- sound navigation ranging
- mapped the ocean floor revealing many different depths and features







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#### FAU Human powered sub

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> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= UwVNkfCov1k

## Watch the following clip and note down the major contributions in each section.

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#### The 5 Oceans

- Arctic- smallest, covered in ice
- Pacific- largest, ring of fire
- Indian warm latitudes, whale sanctuary
- Antarctic lots of krill and marine life (aka - Southern Ocean)
- Atlantic- growing @ mid-ocean ridge
- Mediterranean Sea- not an ocean but connected to Atlantic. Pollution is a huge problem.

#### Oceans

There is really only ONE ocean!!

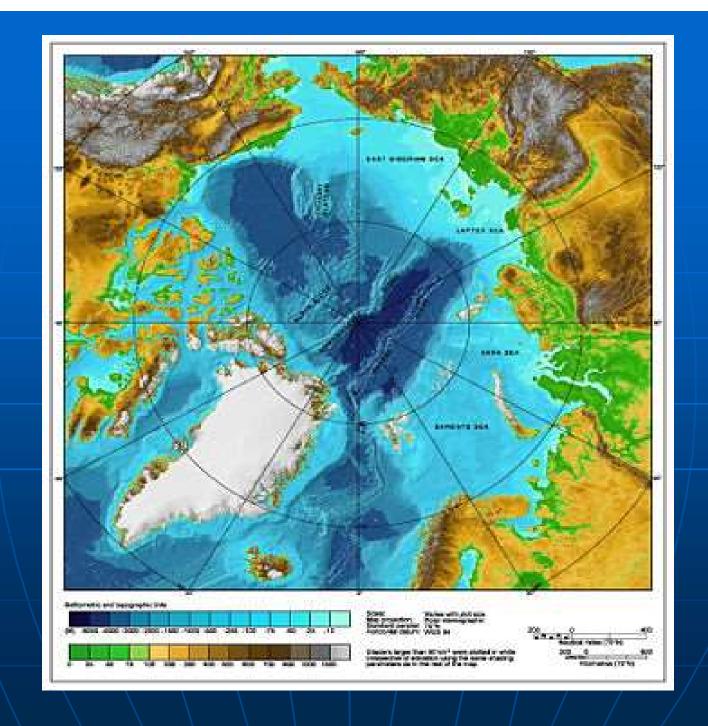
This makes navigating difficult so we subdivide it into several smaller ones.

#### The 5 Oceans

- Arctic
- Pacific
- Indian
- Antarctic
- Atlantic



- Smallest ocean
- Covered in pack ice
- Attracts migrating animals, like whales



#### Pacific Ocean

- 1/3 of the globe is covered by this ocean
  - Half of the planet's seawater
- Has the highest mountain Mauna Kea Volcano (10,200m)
- Has the deepest trench Mariana's Trench (11,034m)
- Shrinking because of subduction zone causing the "Ring of Fire".
- Nuclear Testing during the 40's and 50's



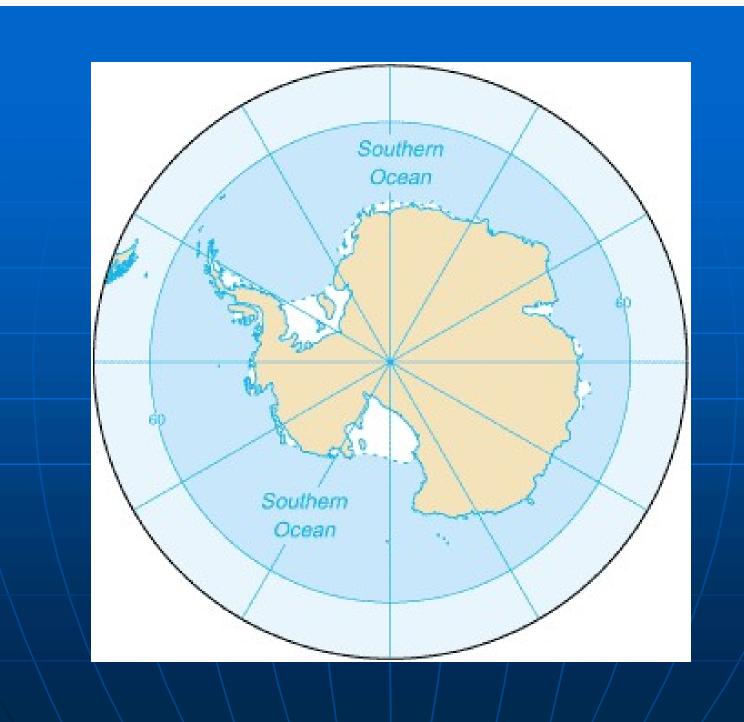
#### Indian Ocean

- Warm latitudes
- Tropics and coral reefs
- Subtropics have monsoons (reverse currents)
- Whale sanctuary
- Red Sea





- Marine life flourishes here
- Krill, plankton
- Cold goes north to balance the tropics



#### **Atlantic Ocean**

- Icy northern region, but includes the Caribbean
- North Atlantic Drift Current
  - The Gulf Stream
- Spreading and growing b/c of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge
- Abundant sea life, suitable habitats

