

**Discussion Questions to accompany video
“Exploring the Ocean’s Hidden Worlds”**

1. Robert Ballard starts off by asking a big question. What is his question?
2. How much of our planet is ocean, and how much of the ocean has been explored?
3. Do you think our country considers it more important to explore outer space than to explore the ocean?
4. What is Mr. Ballard trying to say when he talks about the Easter Bunny?
5. Robert Ballard says that when he was in school he had to give the wrong answer to get an “A”? What did he mean?
6. What are some surprising things that Mr. Ballard and his team found by accident?
7. What is the advantage of using ROVs instead of sending humans down in submersibles?
8. What’s the mission of the Okeanos Explorer, and what types of technology will it use?