

## Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will learn about the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium and gain a basic understanding of environmental science.

## Materials and Prep

- Computer or tablet with internet access
- Pen and paper

No prior knowledge is required for this lesson.

## Activities

1. Research: Use your computer or tablet to research about the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Find out what kind of marine life can be found there, and why it is important to protect and preserve marine ecosystems.
2. Virtual Tour: Visit the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium website and take a virtual tour of the aquarium. Observe different exhibits and marine animals. Take notes on what you find interesting.
3. Draw and Label: Using pen and paper, draw and label your favorite marine animal that you learned about during the virtual tour. Include its name, characteristics, and any interesting facts.
4. Environmental Pledge: Write a short paragraph or create a poster about how you can help protect the environment and marine life. Include actions you can take at home and in your community.

## Talking Points

- "The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is a place where we can learn about different marine animals and their habitats."
- "Marine life includes animals like fish, sea turtles, dolphins, and many more."
- "It is important to protect and preserve marine ecosystems because they provide homes and food for marine animals."
- "By visiting the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium website, we can take a virtual tour and learn about marine animals without actually being there."
- "Drawing and labeling our favorite marine animal helps us remember their characteristics and understand how they are adapted to their environment."
- "Writing an environmental pledge reminds us to take actions that can make a positive impact on the environment and marine life."
- "Together, we can make a difference in protecting our oceans and the creatures that live in them."