



## Weekly Newsletter

October 7, 2005

### Giant Squid – Monster of the Deep

For the first time ever Japanese scientist succeeded in photographing a live giant squid in the deep waters of the North Pacific Ocean. Approximately 25 feet in length, the giant squid was found at a depth of almost 3000 feet. If you would like to learn more about this expedition and giant squids in general, check out these links:

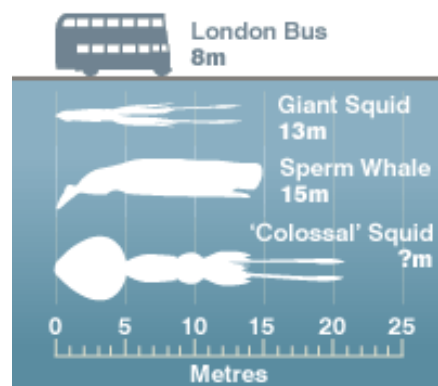


[http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/09/0927\\_050927\\_giant\\_squid.html](http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/09/0927_050927_giant_squid.html)

[http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/09/photogalleries/giant\\_squid/](http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/09/photogalleries/giant_squid/)

<http://dsc.discovery.com/convergence/giantsquid/giantsquid.html>

<http://www.leatherwoodonline.com/tasmania/2004/squid/>



<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/4288772.stm>

### Literature Connections

Author Jules Verne first captured young readers' imaginations with giant squids in his classic **20,000 Leagues Under the Sea**. In this book the giant squid is presented as a deep sea monster. For a more realistic portrayal of the giant squid read **The Highest Tide** by Jim Lynch. In this book a young boy encounters a living squid while kayaking late one night.

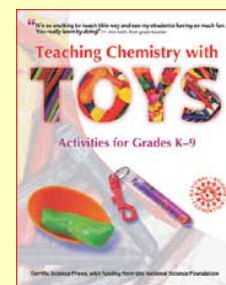
### National Chemistry Week

The American Chemical Society is sponsoring a chemistry celebration the week of October 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2005. This year's theme is **The Joy of Toys**. ACS is sponsoring a poster contest for K-12 students. The entry deadline is December 30<sup>th</sup>. **Teaching Chemistry with Toys: Activities for Grades K-9** is a good resource for any science classroom considering participating in this year's celebration. To learn more about NCW visit the following links:

[http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acsdisplay.html?DOC=new/new\\_index.html](http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acsdisplay.html?DOC=new/new_index.html)

[http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acsdisplay.html?DOC=kids/cc\\_kidspage\\_index.html](http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acsdisplay.html?DOC=kids/cc_kidspage_index.html)

[http://www.chemistry.org/portal/resources/ACS/ACSContent/ncw/PDF/05\\_ncw\\_postercontest\\_ls.pdf](http://www.chemistry.org/portal/resources/ACS/ACSContent/ncw/PDF/05_ncw_postercontest_ls.pdf)



### National Science Digital Library - NSDL

Sponsored by NSF the NSDL is the Nation's online library of resources for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education and research. Lesson plans are just one of the many resources it offers. See if there is something you can use in your classroom at:

<http://nsdl.org/> or <http://msteacher.org/science.aspx>