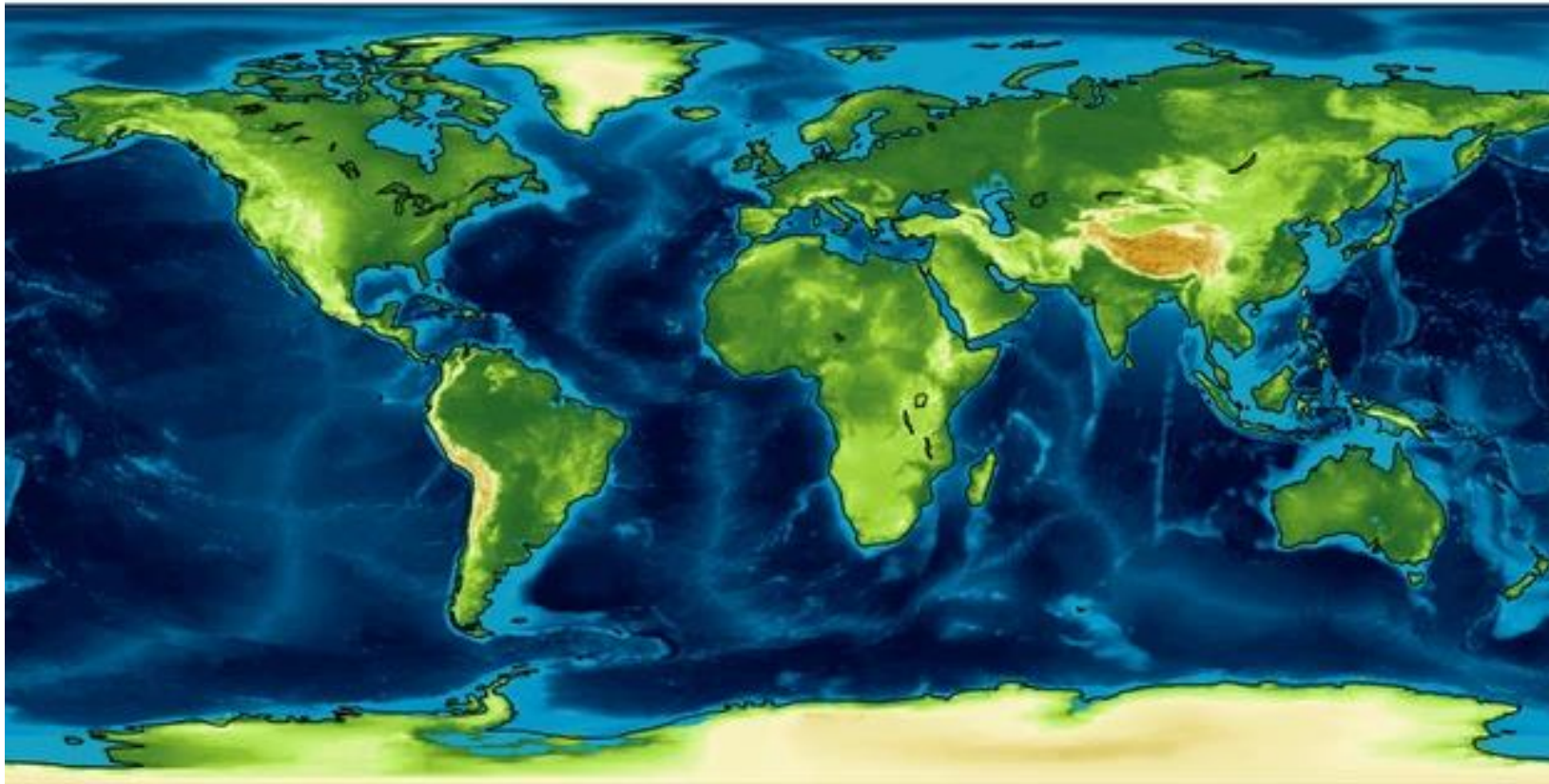


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Exploring the Oceans

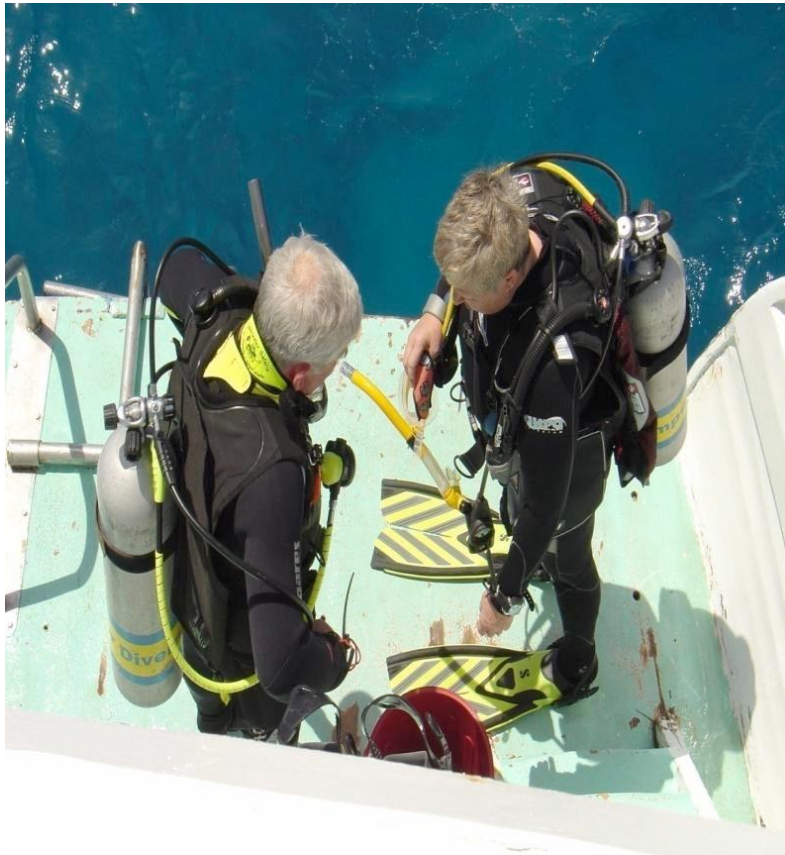
The darkest blue shows the deepest part of the ocean



66% of the Earth is covered with water
that is more than 100 m deep.

Why is this important?

Scuba divers need special equipment



- Fins
- Mask
- Weights
- Buoyancy aid
- Immersion suits
- Breathing apparatus

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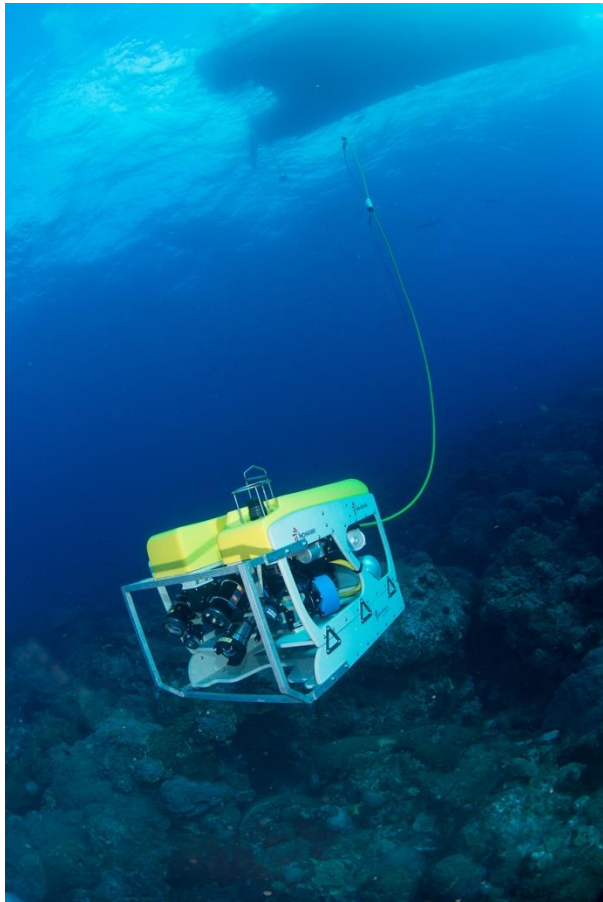
Divers can only dive safely to 30-40 metres

The Marine Environment



- Lacks oxygen
- Lacks light
- Has intense pressures
- Gets colder at depth
- Predators & prey live close together
- Dangerous creatures

Which one is safer? Why?

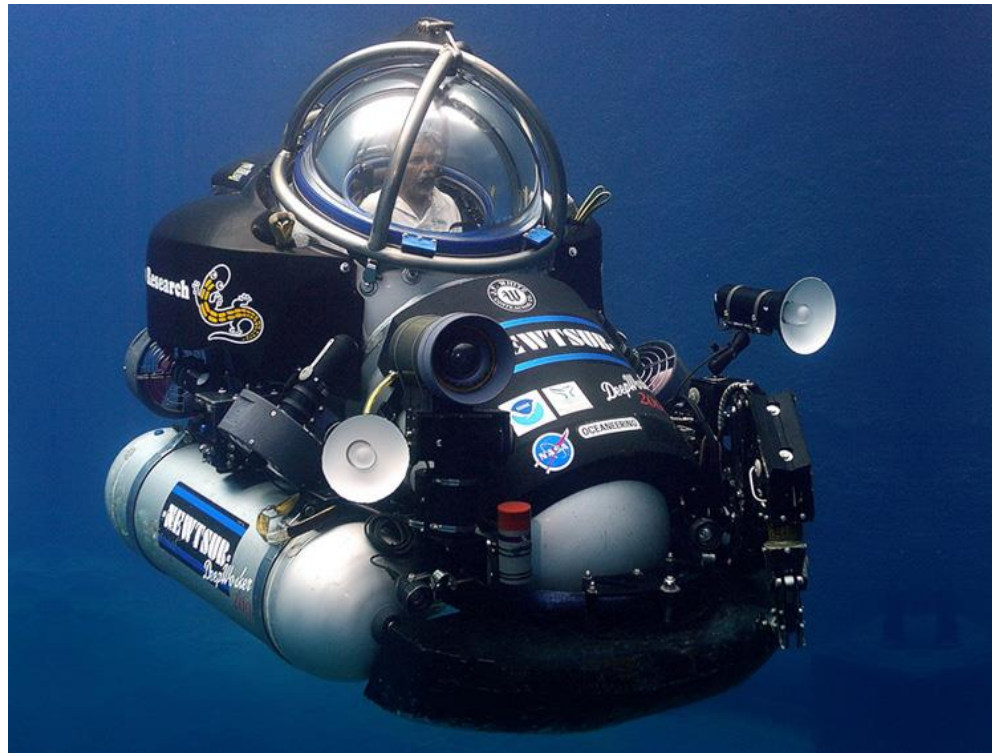


NOAA 500 metres down



25 metres down

Submersibles



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What will you want to look at?



Wreck



Turtle

What's it like underwater?

Near the surface?

- Dim Light
- Warm

Deep in the Ocean?

- Dark
- Cold

What's it like underwater?

Near the surface?

- Dim Light
- Warm

Deep in the Ocean?

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- Cold

What do you need to take with you?

What's it like underwater?

Near the surface?

- Dim Light
- Warm

Deep in the Ocean?

- Dark
- Cold

What do you need to take with you?

Air to breathe, food, water, warm clothing,
camera, tools, collection boxes

What is a Robotic Arm?

- What could you collect?
- How difficult is it to use a Robotic Arm?
- Imagine collecting a very weird animal ... you mustn't harm it, or take it out of the water. How could you tell the people on the surface what it looks like?
- Describe it to your 'buddy' on the surface.
- Can they draw it from your description.
- Does their drawing look like your weird animal?

Design your own Submersible

- How will it move?
- What controls will it have?
- Will you take photographs and video or will you collect things? How?
- Imagine your journey
- Write up your log
- How would you describe your journey?

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