

Student Name:	
Teacher Name:	
Class Name:	
Date:	

Instructions

The goal of this assignment is to get you to talk with parents or other adults about the interaction between science and faith.

Ask your parents, or one or more other adults whom you know well, to work through the same activity that you did in class. You may get extra copies of the Identifying Issues handout from your teacher, or you may access the activity at the following URL:

<http://teachfastly.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Identifying-Issues.pdf>

1. Ask your adult conversation partner(s) to work through the activity while you watch. If other friends or family members are around, feel free to draw them into the activity too.
2. After the activity, discuss some of the statements with your conversation partner(s). Consider how you thought through the activity similarly or differently.
3. Which statements were surprising for your conversation partner(s) and why?
4. Encourage your conversation partner(s) to ask a question about one of the statements. Make a note of that question and bring it back to class for discussion. Additionally, it could lead to valuable discussion at home.
5. Ask your conversation partner(s) to sign below to confirm that they completed the activity with you.

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By signing below, I am indicating that I had a substantive conversation about the nature of science.

Adult Signature: _____

(additional signatures can be added in the blank space at right, as applicable)

Student Signature: _____

Identifying Issues

Place each statement according to how surprising it seems to you that it is not true:



Identifying Issues

Science works by making hypotheses which then become theories that in turn become laws.	Scientific findings are facts which we know to be 100% true.	All scientific work follows the steps of the scientific method	If evidence is carefully collected we can be sure that our conclusions are correct.
Scientific ways of describing the world are inherently more true than other ways of describing the world.	Science is about following a procedure and requires very little creativity.	Science is the surest way to answer all our questions about the world.	Scientists are very unlikely to be people of religious faith.
To be a scientist means finding things out by doing experiments.	New scientific findings are always reviewed for accuracy.	Science gives us a true, objective description of reality and is not affected by beliefs and assumptions.	Science and technology are basically the same thing.
Scientists mostly work alone, rather than in groups.	Once something is proven scientifically we can be confident it will not change.	Science and religion are competing ways of answering the same questions.	