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Jacques Cousteau

(for my ocean loving students 😊)

Jacques Cousteau was born on June 11, 1910 in France. He was a famous oceanographer, researcher, scientist, conservationist, filmmaker, and undersea explorer.

When he was a young man, Cousteau was in a bad car accident and both of his arms were badly broken. In fact, the doctors had talked about amputating his right arm as it was infected. He insisted he would overcome it and he swam regularly in the Mediterranean Sea to help rehabilitate his body. It took a year to mend. During this time, a friend gave him a pair of goggles and it opened his eyes to the wonders of the sea.

He was the inventor of diving devices such as the Aqua-Lung which is what we know as the term SCUBA. It was created to help him breathe underwater so he can film and explore more easily.

Students watched a short clip of Jacques Cousteau on an underwater adventure.

They also created their own scuba diver and wrote about what they would see if they were a scuba diver.

