



Team Yes: We should allow diving near coral reefs.

Team No: We should not allow diving near coral reefs.

5 6 Science Homework—October 15th (due October 22nd)

Coral Reefs in Danger!

You will be part of a debate next week in class. Our topic:

“Diving near coral reefs should be banned to protect the reefs from ecological damage.”

To prepare:

1. Learn about colonies of cnidarians by reading about them in your book, pages 19-23.
2. Learn about the pros and cons by reading pages 24-25.
3. Take some notes that you think will support your side of the debate. Bring these notes to class.
4. **Go to this resource to find out more:** PHSchool.com Use web code—**ceh-2010**

5. [Search the Internet to learn more about coral reefs.](#)

The following key words will help you gather information:

- Coral reef diving
- Coral reef snorkeling
- Coral reef tourism
- Coral reef protection
- Coral reef conservation

Tips for an Effective Internet Search

- Be aware that search engines present pages in descending order of relevancy; the most useful pages will be at the top of the list.
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