



Introductory Lesson Plan: Getting to Know the Dallas World Aquarium

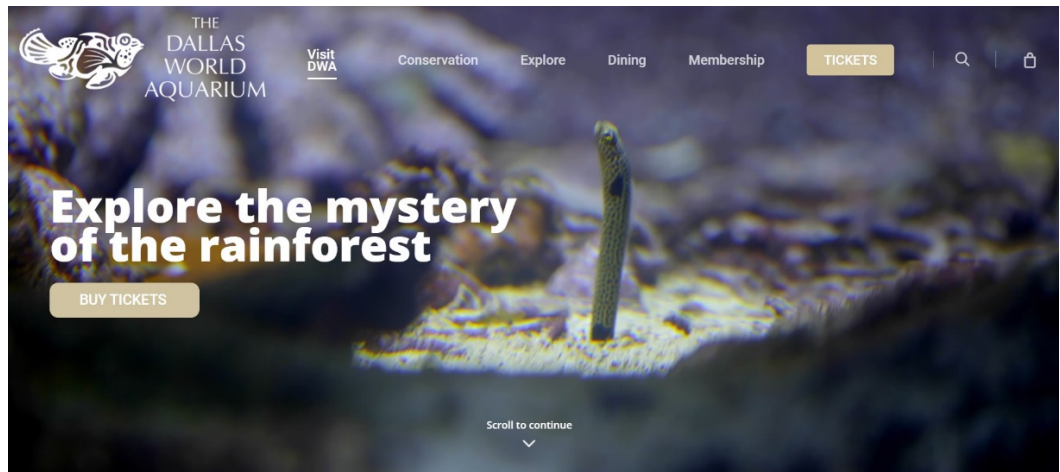
Goal: Students will learn basic information about the Dallas World Aquarium through exploration of the DWA website and by participating in related discussions.

Materials:

- Screen hooked up to computer
- Computer(s) or tablets (1 per pair of students, if available)
- Internet access

Directions:

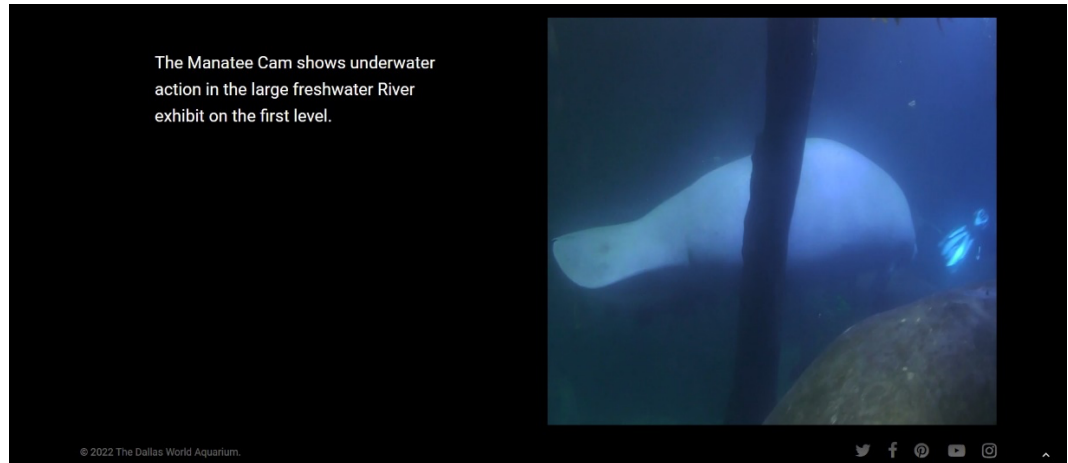
1. Pull up our website on the screen in your classroom (www.dwazoo.com). Click on the topics on the top of the page. Explore the links to each of the exhibits and explore the animals. Alternatively, if students have their own computers or tablets, allow them to explore the website in pairs.



2. Ask the students the following questions:

- What excites you most about our upcoming field trip?
- What animals are you looking forward to seeing?
- What do you hope to learn while there?

3. Next, click on the Visit DWA link, and then click on Animal Cams. Click on the Manatee Cam. Allow the students to view the live feed.



4. Ask the students the following questions:

- What animals do you see in the freshwater river exhibit?
- Do you think it would be interesting to work here?
- What do you think the zookeepers do to take care of the animals?
- What can you learn about an animal by observing it over time?