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### September 2010: What Do Scientists Do?



School's back in session! While you've been prepping for another year, *Science and Children* has been gearing up for a "Year of Inquiry"! Don't miss our new monthly column, "Formative Assessment Probes." In this issue of *Science Class*, you'll find online resources that can help your students learn about what scientists do in a meaningful way. Click on the September 2010 Table of Contents to read a free article ("Citizen Scientists") from the issue. Here

is a collection of additional online resources we've compiled that relate to **What Do Scientists Do?:**

#### [In the News: What Do Scientists Do?](#)

Too busy to sift through the news in search of interesting stories? Click on the link to read current news stories, collected for you by NSTA staff members, that are related to this theme.

#### [On the Web: What Do Scientists Do?](#)

With so much on the web, it's hard to know what's *really* useful. In this section, you'll find web-related opportunities related to this theme.

#### [From the S&C Archives: What Do Scientists Do?](#)

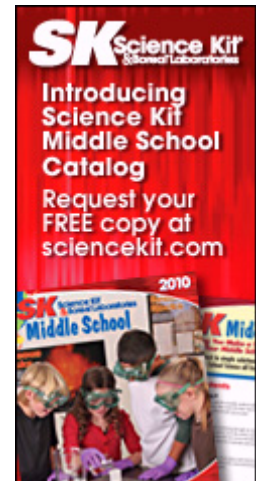
Readers tell us again and again how timeless our journal articles are. So in this section, we've compiled theme-related articles from the *Science and Children* archives.

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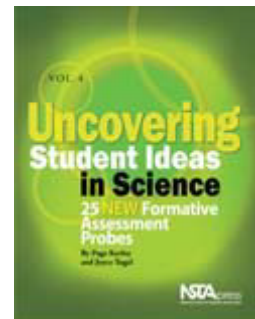
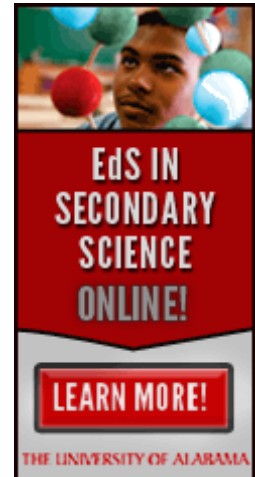


## [Books, Books, Books: What Do Scientists Do?](#)

Tired of your textbook? Click on this link for a list of some of the elementary-level books we've found related to this theme.

Coming next month... **Process Skills**

- The "Magic" String
- Nature's Palette
- Measurement Informs Understanding
- Dinocenters



Grades K-12  
25 new probes to help reveal students' preconceptions of fundamental concepts in science

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