

# The Blue Grand Canyon

## Instructions

- Visit the following link <http://www.thefarmat64.co.uk/>
- Select the **Articles** option on the menu
- Find the article titled **The Blue Grand Canyon**
- Read the article and answer the questions below.

## Questions

### Introduction:

1. Find three adjectives in this section. Write their antonyms.
2. What does *controversy* mean?

### Photo 1:

3. What do you think a “seamount” is?
4. What is no longer allowed in the new National Monument?

### Photo 2:

5. Why are animals able to live for so much longer in the ocean depths?
6. What is the effect of the author including a quote from an expert?

### Photo 3:

7. Why do you think this creature is called a “dumbo octopus”?
8. Why do you think a robotic submarine took the photo and not a human?

### Photo 4:

9. Why does the writer mention two historic events?
10. Why does the writer say the shark is “remarkable”?

### Photo 5:

11. Using no more than 25 words, summarise this paragraph.

### Photo 6:

12. How would the work of the scientists on board the Okeanos Explorer have “paved the way for the creation of the monument”?

**Photo 7:**

13. In your own words explain what Mike Ford says about the animals he studies.
14. What are zooids?

**Photo 8:**

15. What words in the paragraph suggest the two scientists pictured are absorbed in their task?
16. What are all the computers controlling?

**Photo 9:**

17. What is the author's attitude to the Marine National Monument? Find evidence in this paragraph to support your views.

**Photo 10:**

18. Who does President Obama blame for the threats to marine wildlife? What reasons does he give?

**Photos 11 and 12:**

19. Summarise the views of opponents of the new national monument.

**Photo 13:**

20. Now summarise the views of supporters of the new monument.

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