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Claims in a Visual Text Warm Up Activity

**Read the following quotations.**

1. Even a fool knows that you cannot touch the stars, but that does not stop a wise man from trying. —Anonymous

**2. Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has thought. —Albert Szent-Gyorgyi**

3. The scientist does not study nature because it is useful; he studies it because he delights in it, and he delights in it because it is beautiful. If nature were not beautiful, it would not be worth knowing, and if nature were not worth knowing, life would not be worth living.—Henri Poincare

**4. What we know is not much. What we do not know is immense.—Pierre-Simon de Laplace**

5. Nature teaches more than she preaches. There are no sermons in stones. It is easier to get a spark out of a stone than a moral.—John Burroughs

**6. Stuff your eyes with wonder . . . live as if you’d drop dead in ten seconds. See the world. It’s more fantastic than any dream made or paid for in factories.—Ray Bradbury**

7. It is the ultimate wisdom of the mountains that a man is never more a man than when he is striving for what is beyond his grasp.—James Ramsey Ullman

**8. The more clearly we can focus our attention on the wonders and realities of the universe about us, the less taste we shall have for destruction.—Rachel Carson**

9. The essence of living is discovering. Indeed, it is the joy of discovery that makes life worth the effort. —Vijay Krishna

**10. The only real voyage of discovery consists not in seeing new landscapes, but in having new eyes, in seeing the universe with the eyes of another, of hundreds of others, in seeing the hundreds of universes that each of them sees.—Marcel Proust**

11. Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts.—Rachel Carson

**12. The Earth is beautiful, and bright, and kindly, but that is not all. The Earth is also terrible, and dark, and cruel.—Ursula K. LeGuin**

13. Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after. —Henry David Thoreau

**14. Although our intellect always longs for clarity and certainty, our nature often finds uncertainty fascinating.—Karl von Clausewitz**

15. The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious.—Albert Einstein

**Activity**

Complete the activity using Photograph 1 from the *National Geographic* images.

a. Write a title for the photograph.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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