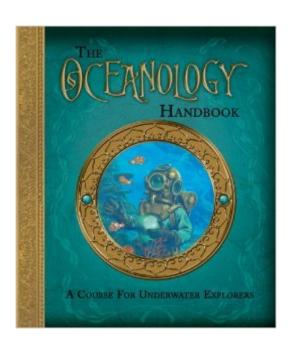
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In 1863, bits of wreckage washed up on a beach in Spain. Among the flotsam was a watertight container holding a French text penned by one Professor Pierre Arronax. Arronax explored the seas along with Captain Nemo in the submarine Nautilus and kept this detailed journal meant to explain some of the wonders of the ocean. Now curious underwater explorers can read Arronax's book in

English with full illustrations. Professor Arronax has beautifully recorded the ocean as it was understood in the mid-1800s and presented it in a readable and fascinating way. THE OCEANOLOGY HANDBOOK is the companion to OCEANOLOGY: The True Account of the Voyage of the Nautilus, which is, of course, meant to expound upon the Jules Vernes adventure classic 20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA. While OCEANOLOGY is a behind-the-scenes look at the action aboard the Nautilus, THE OCEANOLOGY HANDBOOK is more of a marine sciences journal. It deals less with Vernes's characters and more with the information the crew would have known or learned on the voyage. The first section, "Exploring the Oceans," introduces the world's oceans, the history of ships, the basics of navigation, famous ocean explorers, flags and signaling, and more. Part II, "Understanding the Oceans," discusses more complex ideas, such as wind and waves, currents, tides, light and depth, and plate tectonics (according to the publisher's notes, this last idea was not widely accepted until the 1960s). The third and final section for the most part deals with ocean life, such as coral reefs, whales and crustaceans. It nicely introduces the idea of scientific classification and the "food web."The entire book is full of lovely and vivid black-and-white and color illustrations.

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