

## Scaffolded Note-Taking Sheet for Gathering Information on Scientists for Personal Stories

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Scientist: \_\_\_\_\_

### Collecting Information About a Scientist

As you gather information about your scientist, please consider the following questions (not meant to be in any particular order). You may not be able to find details for each idea, but see what you can do; the more information you get, the better your story will be.

Questions	Notes
What are the scientist's personal traits? What three words might you choose to describe the scientist and why? (What evidence from his or her life supports those choices?)	
What was the scientist like as a child? Who or what influenced this person?	
Why did this person decide to become a scientist?	
What would you imagine a typical day in the life of your scientist looks like?	
What observations about the world has the scientist made?	
What questions has the scientist sought to answer?	
What discoveries did the scientist make? What was the impact of these discoveries?	

**Figure 8.3** Scaffolded Note-Taking Sheet for Gathering Information on Scientists for Personal Stories

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Questions	Notes
What challenges or fears did the scientist face or have to overcome in his or her life or work? How did he or she manage to do that?	
How have the scientist's work, struggles, and discoveries molded, shaped, or changed him or her?	
What questions does the scientist still wish to answer? (For living scientists only)	
What else did you learn about the scientist that you found interesting?	
What are two questions you might ask of the scientist?	

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