

## **Alien Life**

### **Student Worksheet ...**

- Many years ago, what did some scientists think they saw on the planet Mars? (Other scientists used better telescopes to prove they were wrong.)
- What did scientists recently discover about other stars, and whether or not they have their own planets? Why does that make them believe there may be “somebody else” out there?
- What are some of the ways that scientists are looking for another civilization?

### **Something else to think about...**

There is no evidence that intelligent life, or life of any kind, exists on other planets. But we now know that planets – perhaps billions of other planets – are circling other stars. That’s why scientists today are so excited by the possibilities. Another important discovery in recent years is that water, which scientists believe is necessary for life of any kind, seems to be abundant in the Universe.