

The Nature Of Science

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The nature of science is discovering, creating, exploring. Science in my opinion should be used to help others. Victor Frankenstein however didn't do that. He made a monster for his own personal purposes. He wanted to find out the secret of life, he wanted to bring back the mother he lost to death; he wanted to stop death itself. He wanted these things so bad he became obsessed with working he wouldn't eat or sleep. Finally when he had found out the secret of life and created his monster it was hideous and he learned why he shouldn't have done it. So overall I would say Victor is what we'd call a mad scientist; he wanted to explore and create but doesn't help others, he does it for himself. In my opinion he shouldn't be called a scientist at all.

The scientists we read about helped the world in different ways and I think the nature of science should be used for these kinds of purposes. When it comes to how scientists think, it's always different. The scientists we read about definitely thought differently. Benjamin Banneker for example thought all races were equal, so he did different things. For example writing an almanac that also had commentaries and political views and marking when lunar eclipses would happen, to show that all are equal in ability. When Marie Curie was obsessed with her study she would even refuse food and sleep. Then because of her mother's death she went on to discover things that would later help treat cancer, like radium.

Out of all the scientists we read about, Curie was the most like Victor Frankenstein. Her mother died just like Victor's. They both refused food and sleep. Their

inventions both played a part in their death (Victor later died trying to catch his monster and Curie died from her constant exposure to radium and other radiations). The thing that's different is what they did. Victor created a monster and abandoned it, while Curie made radium which has helped many people. I believe that if you're going to be a scientist and have this nature of science, then you should use it for the good of the people and not your own personal gain.