

Loch Ness Monster Poses for Video



The Loch Ness Monster has returned in the clearest video to date, almost as if it were posing for the camera. Gordon Holmes of Yorkshire captured the creature on camera, after he saw an utterly black object moving through the water. It was about forty-five feet long, and continued on a fairly straight course. "I couldn't believe my eyes!" he is quoted as saying, and first thought it to be a large eel.

Nessie watcher Adrian Shine saw the video clip, and quickly stated that it represented some of the clearest footage he had ever seen. He hoped to have the chance to carefully analyze the video in upcoming months. In fact, the video was so clear that the BBC in Scotland aired it

during the news - and it wasn't the late late news. The BBC showed the clip during their main news broadcast.

The first picture of Nessie dates to 1930, and since then there have been over 4,000 sightings. Some people think locals concocted the picture and story in order to bring in tourists to the Highlands. Believers admit that they don't know what the creature could be, perhaps an unknown species, or a sturgeon, possibly even the last surviving dinosaur!

Nessie has become the national emblem of Scotland. There's big business in the myth, too, as tourists purchase Nessie t-shirts and cuddly dolls. Some are already wondering if this isn't a publicity stunt for the summer tourist season.

VOCABULARY

1. **Vocabulary match:** Match the words in column A (from the article) with the best choice in column B.

1.	utterly	a.	movie
2.	quoted	b.	trick
3.	footage	c.	symbol
4.	aired	d.	completely
5.	purported	e.	made up
6.	concocted	f.	hug
7.	hoax	g.	claimed
8.	species	h.	breed
9.	emblem	i.	cited
10.	cuddly	j.	broadcast

2. **Define:** Define each of the words in exercise 1. and write a sentence using each one of them.