

## Daily Curriculum – January 6

**Media Literacy Question of the Day:** What information might audiences get from news reports that look ahead? What challenges might exist to producing this kind of report?

**Key Concepts:** Identify or explain these subjects you heard about in today's show:

1. sea ice
2. unemployment benefits
3. West Nile virus

**Fast Facts:** How well were you listening to today's program?

1. According to the report, how can ships get stuck in sea ice? How do icebreakers work?
2. What are some of the issues facing the U.S. Congress as its members head back into session this week?
3. What do scientists believe is responsible for the deaths of dozens of bald eagles in Utah? How did the scientists come to this conclusion?

**Discussion Questions:**

1. How do you mark the start of a new year? Do you resolve to do anything better or differently? Explain.
2. What issue(s) would you like to see your U.S. senator or representative make the top priority this session? Why?
3. What general steps do you think that scientists might take to determine what is causing a plant or animal species to die out? Why might they choose to rule out possible causes first?