

HALL OF FISHES: PACIFIC NORTHWEST & CALIFORNIA COAST

Traveling through the Hall of Fishes is like swimming down the West Coast. See how the types of animals change from the Pacific Northwest to Southern California. What is the most important thing that determines where these animals live along the coast? To find out, answer the questions below.

FILL IN THE NUMBERED SPOTS WITH THE CORRECT LETTER OF EACH ANSWER.

1. Most sea stars have _____ arms, but sunflower stars can have up to 24!

- Q. seven (7) R. one (1)
S. nine (9) T. five (5)

2. When an octopus stretches out its 8 _____ they span up to 16 feet, the same length as a parking spot!

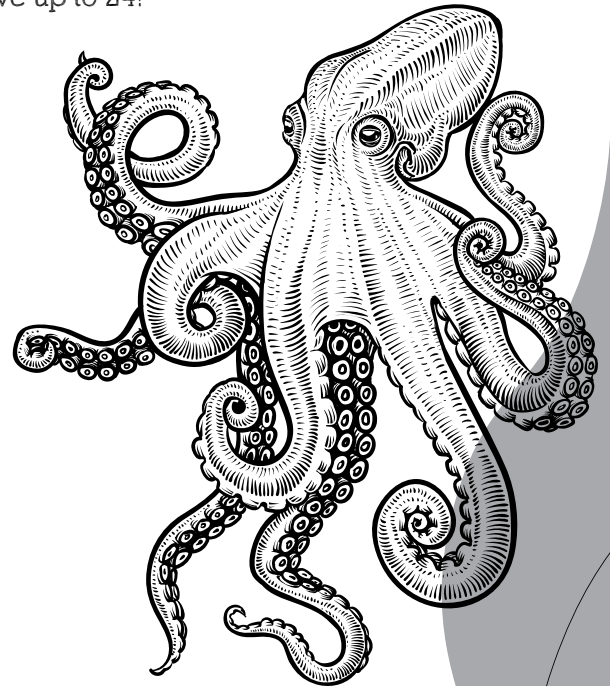
- E. arms F. hearts
G. legs H. eyes

3. Moon jellies use their short _____ to sting and capture their prey, but this sting is mild to humans.

- J. bells K. eyespots
L. stomachs M. tentacles

4. Adult garibaldis are orange all over. When they are young, the juveniles have _____ spots.

- P. blue Q. white
R. black S. red



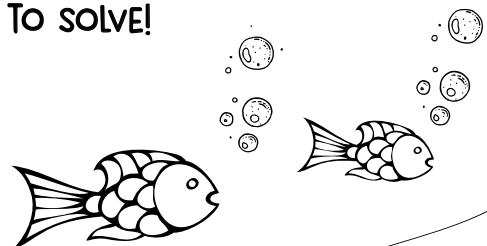
UNSCRAMBLE THE NAMES OF THESE INVERTEBRATES (ANIMALS WITHOUT A BACKBONE) AND FILL IN THE HIGHLIGHTED LETTER IN THE PUZZLE TO SOLVE!

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8

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aes cuirhn _____ _____
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lelyj _____
11



The most important factor that determines where marine organisms live is water _____ E R A _____

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

KELP FOREST

DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE FORESTS GROWING IN THE SEA?

Kelp forests that is! Kelp is a marine algae (seaweed) that can grow up to 150 feet tall. The kelp forest is divided into three zones: the ocean floor (bottom), the understory (middle), and the canopy (top).

Just like in a forest on land, animals live in different zones of the kelp forest. Find the animals in the exhibit and draw a line to match the animal with where you see it living within the kelp forest.

CANOPY

Swell Shark

Garibaldi

Opaleye

Horn Shark

Sheephead

UNDERSTORY

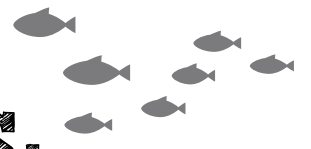
Giant Seabass

OCEAN FLOOR

DID YOU KNOW?

The kelp forest off the coast of La Jolla is a Marine Protected Area (MPA). That means humans cannot collect or harm any of the animals or kelp, which helps keep the ecosystem healthy.

HALL OF FISHES: MEXICO & TROPICAL REEFS



Your journey down the West Coast continues as you explore the wildlife found in Mexico and tropical reefs. Visit the nursery to see our baby animals. Pick one animal and draw a picture of what you think it will look like when it is an adult!

ANIMAL NAME: _____

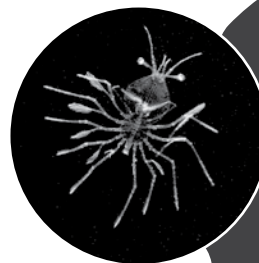
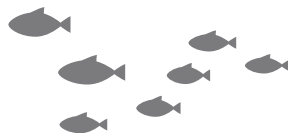
DID YOU KNOW?

California is home to many species of cold-water corals that inhabit the deep sea.

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE NOW	WHAT IT MIGHT LOOK LIKE AS AN ADULT

WATCH THE FISHES SWIM THROUGH THE CORAL REEFS.

How do you think their color, shape, and pattern help them hide here? Write your answer below.



FUN FACT:

Some animals are born as tiny plankton, and look totally different from when they are grown up! Check out what this spiny lobster looked like as a larva!

SAY WHAT?

Our loggerhead sea turtle was rescued near a power plant in New Jersey. She has paralysis in her back flippers, meaning they cannot move. Scientists 3-D printed a brace to fill a gap in her shell to keep her healthy as she grows!



ODDITIES: HIDDEN HEROES OF THE SCRIPPS COLLECTION

DID YOU KNOW ANIMALS HAVE SUPERPOWERS?

Some can glow in the dark, turn invisible, or have super speed!
Match the superpower with the animal to find out what scientists call these body parts or behaviors that help animals survive.



ANIMAL

SUPERPOWER

Cookiecutter Shark

_____ _____
2

Mantis Shrimp

_____ _____
8

Slenderjaw Moray Eel

_____ _____
1

Stonefish

_____ _____
10

Flying Fish

_____ _____
4

WORD BANK:

Jaws

Venom

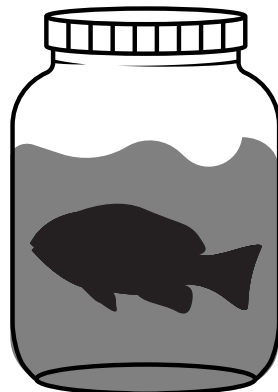
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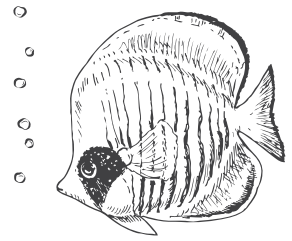
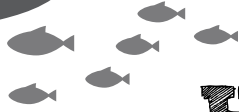
Vision

Glow in the Dark

__ _ A __ T A T __ O __ S are body parts or behaviors that help animals survive.

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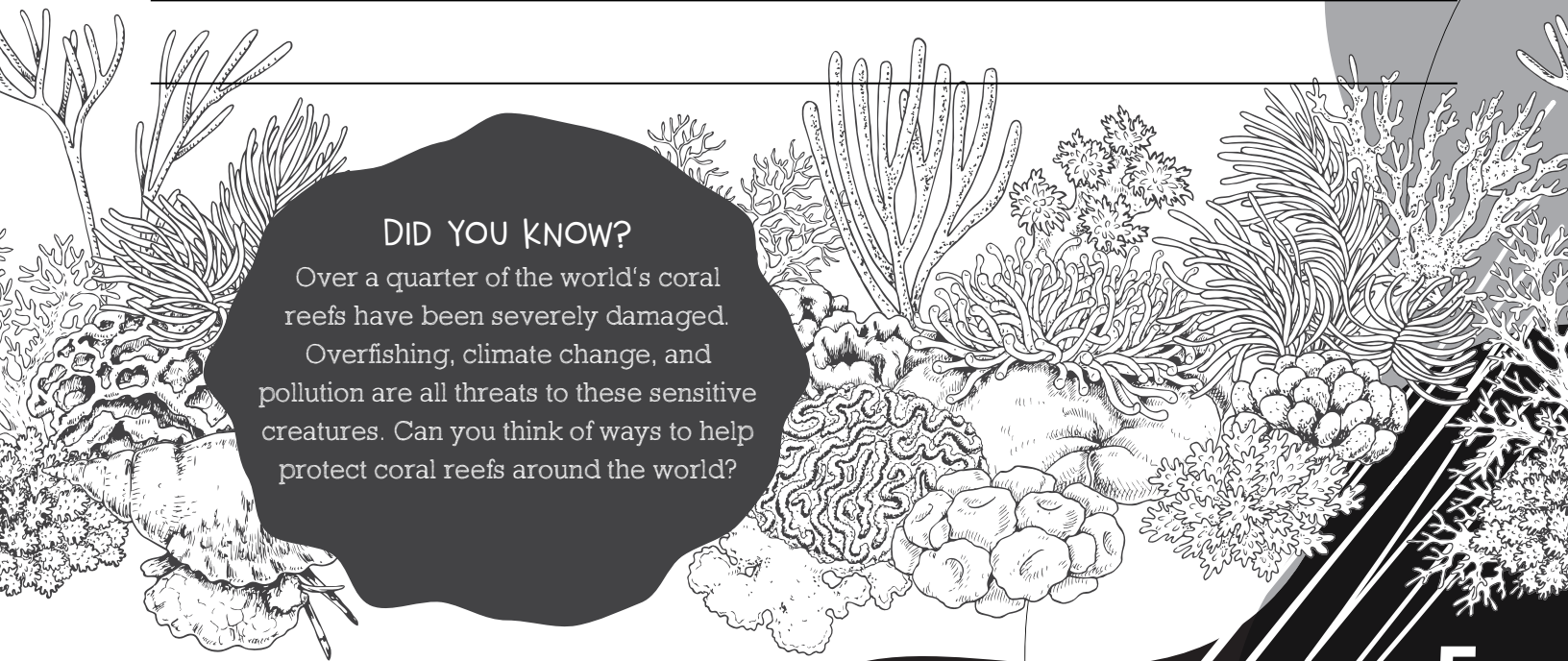
HEALTHY VS. BLEACHED REEFS

DRAW THE HEALTHY REEF AND BLEACHED REEF BELOW.

HEALTHY REEF

BLEACHED REEF

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE ANIMALS THAT LIVE IN THE CORAL REEF WHEN THE REEF BLEACHES? HOW DOES THE HABITAT CHANGE?



DID YOU KNOW?

Over a quarter of the world's coral reefs have been severely damaged.

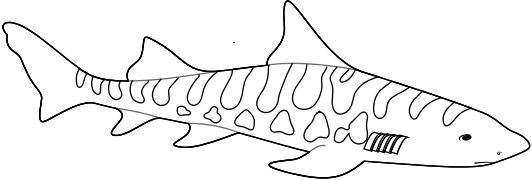
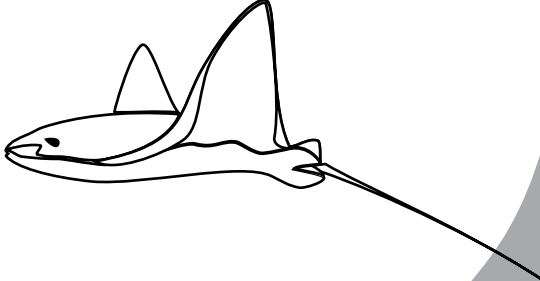
Overfishing, climate change, and pollution are all threats to these sensitive creatures. Can you think of ways to help protect coral reefs around the world?

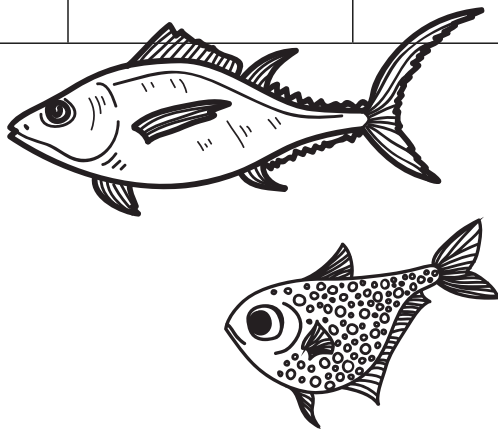
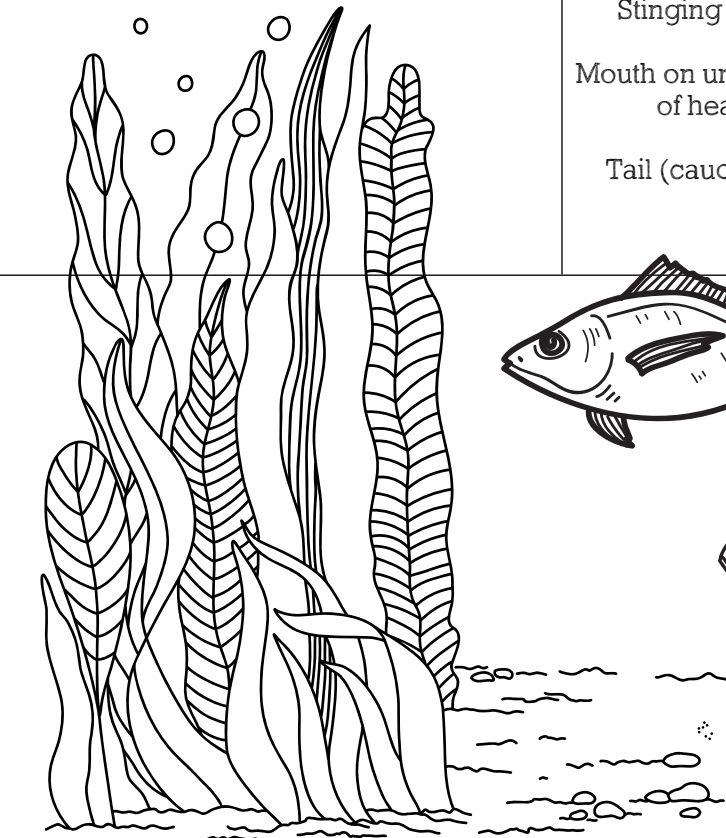
SHARK SHORES

DID YOU KNOW SHARKS AND RAYS ARE RELATED?

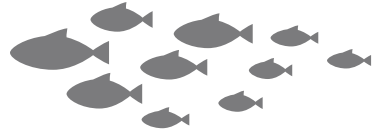
They both belong to a group called elasmobranchs.

Can you spot the similarities and differences? Draw a line to match the physical characteristics to the correct animal. Some characteristics might be true of both!

SHARK		RAY
	<p>Gills</p> <p>Flat body</p> <p>Countershading (Darker color on the top vs bottom)</p> <p>Streamlined body (Like a football)</p> <p>Dorsal (top) fin</p> <p>Stinging barb</p> <p>Mouth on underside of head</p> <p>Tail (caudal) fin</p>	



SEADRAGONS & SEAHORSES



WHAT MAKES A FISH A FISH?

All fish have fins, gills, a backbone, and a two-chambered heart.
Do you think seahorses and seadragons are fish? Draw a seahorse and seadragon
and circle the parts they have in common with a fish. Write your answer below.

SEAHORSE	SEADRAGON

Seahorses and seadragons are fish: (Circle one) True / False

MY EVIDENCE FOR THIS IS:



BEYSTER FAMILY LITTLE BLUE PENGUINS

Ethograms are a way to study an animal's behavior by collecting data on what they are doing. Use this ethogram to observe what the little blue penguins are doing!

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Pick a penguin to study. Write its band color(s) on the line below.
2. When you are ready to begin, count to ten. Then, place a checkmark next to the behavior the penguin is doing at that moment. Then, count to ten again and repeat.
3. Do this 12 times (for a total of 2 minutes) to fill out the whole chart. Total each behavior to see what they were doing the most.

BAND COLOR(S): _____

Time	Active		Inactive		Social (calling, interacting with another penguin)	Not Visible	Other
	Swimming	Walking	Standing	Laying			
0:10							
0:20							
0:30							
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1:00							
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1:40							
1:50							
2:00							
TOTAL							

WHICH BEHAVIOR DID YOUR PENGUIN DO THE MOST?

