

Welcome to the reef worksheet **PRIMARY**



What is the Great Barrier Reef?

Circle which facts are true statements about the Great Barrier Reef.



Locate me!

Using the map of Australia, colour in using a yellow pencil the state which you can find the Great Barrier Reef.





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Rock pool

Sea stars, sea cucumbers, sea urchins and sea apples are part of the same group of animals known as echinoderms!

Explore inside the rock pool area and tick the boxes under the animal below that best describes what you felt.



SEA STARS This animal feels like

| rough |
|---------|
| smooth |
| spiky |
| bumpy |
| hard |
| soft |
| sharp |
| pointy |
| slimy |
| cold |
| warm |
| sticky |
| rubbery |



SEA CUCUMBERS This animal feels like





SEA URCHINS This animal feels like rough smooth spiky

|] | bumpy |
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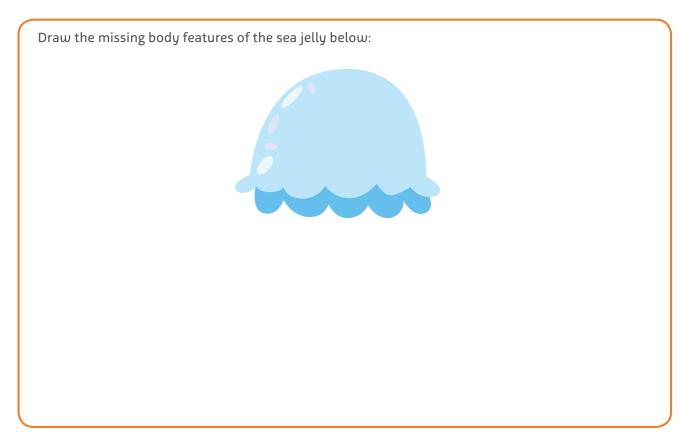


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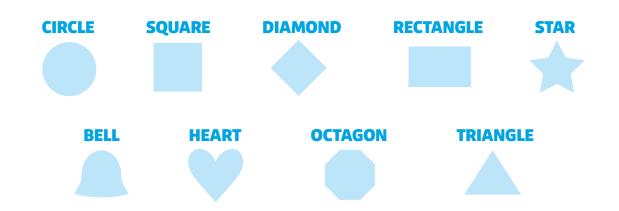


Jellies

Jellies are a very simple animal. They are related to coral and anemones, plus they are a part of the group of animals known as Cnidaria.



What shapes can you see that make up the shapes of the sea jelly? Place a circle around the shapes you can see.





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SECTION 5

Jellies Fun Facts!

Read the following fun facts about how jellies survive living in our oceans. Use the word bank to help fill in the missing words.

Jellies have a _____ shaped _____ which pulses to give them _____ through the water. Their long ______ are covered in stinging _____ that allow them to catch food. These are called nematocyst. They are like a ______ and have a sack of venom attached to the _____.

_____ have been in the oceans for over _____ million years. They are very well ______ to living in the ocean.



SECTION 6

Sea turtles

Place a tick next to the facts you have learnt about Sea turtles today.

Did you know that Sea turtles.....

- 1. Are marine reptiles
- 2. Are cold blooded
- 3. They can't produce their own body heat 🗌
- **4.** They have large tough scales which make up their shell 🗌
- 5. They lay eggs 🗌
- 6. They need to breathe air
- 7. Like to eat sea jellies and sponges 🗌



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Feet or Flippers? Sea turtles, freshwater turtles and tortoises have different types of flippers to help them move through the water.

Match the animal to correct body part that helps them to swim and move on land.



FRESHWATER TURTLE



TORTOISE





Webbed flippers with claws

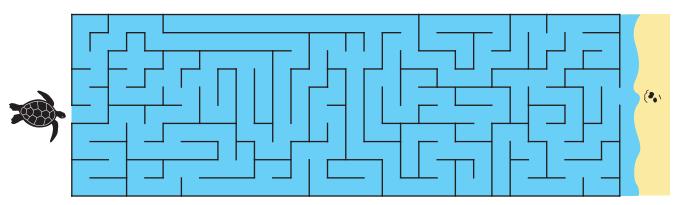


SECTION 7

Sea turtle babies.

Did you know? That marine turtles need to crawl up on the beach to lay their eggs. They bury the eggs in the sand so that the baby turtle inside can stay warm as it grows, can stay safe from predators and so they don't drown.

Travel through the maze to help the Sea turtle find her way back to her nest.



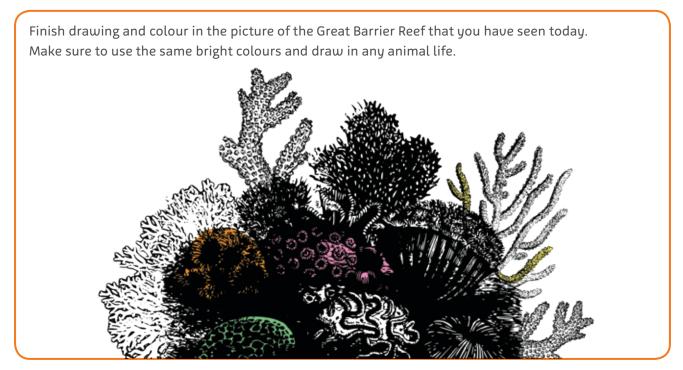


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SECTION 8

Colourful Coral

Did you know? Coral has an algae that lives inside their skin tissue which gives them food, helps them grow and gives corals their bright colour.



SECTION 9

What I saw today!

Today on my visit at SEA LIFE Sydney Aquarium I saw and learnt.....

| I saw this today | I learnt this fact today |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| The Great Barrier Reef | |
| Sea star | |
| Sea urchin | |
| Sea cucumber | |
| Sea apples | |
| Jellies | |
| Sea turtles | |
| Sharks | |
| Fish | |
| Coral | |

