

What I See Under the Sea

Imagine you are swimming under the sea. All around you, the sea is full of living creatures and plants. Look carefully through your swim goggles. What do you see?



1. What is the biggest animal in the sea?
Circle the animal.
2. How many arms does an octopus have?
Count them.
3. Which fish in the picture are the same?
Draw a line to join them.
4. What animal is peeking out from behind the seaweed?
Circle it.
5. How many starfish do you see?
Circle them.
6. What in the picture starts with the letter S?
Trace the letter S in the air with your finger.
7. Find the pair of jellyfish.
How many jellyfish make a pair?
8. What animal carries a shell on its back?

Answers:

1. Whale
2. Eight arms
3. Two striped fish, three blue fish, two red fish
4. Crab
5. Four starfish
6. Seashell and starfish start with S.
7. Two jellyfish make a pair.
8. Turtle



More Fun Things to Do

- Walk along a beach with an adult. Be a beachcomber. A beachcomber is a person who searches the beach for treasures. Collect things you find, maybe some cool stones, seashells, seaweed or driftwood, pieces of wood that have washed ashore.
- Create beachcomber art from what you collect.
- Build a sandcastle. Here's how: Fill a cup with sand that is a bit wet. Turn the cup upside down on the beach. Lift off the cup. Put a leaf or feather on top as a flag.
- Spread children's glue on a piece of paper. Sprinkle the page with dry sand. Turn the page upside down to clear off the extra sand. What sand-art shapes did you make?
- Visit a store that sells tropical fish. Find a school of fish in a fish tank. Guess how many fish are in the fish tank.



Take it Further:

Visit an aquarium in person or online. Discover fishy facts about the amazing fish in Canadian waters. Learn about the forests of Pacific kelp along British Columbia's coast. (The coast is the place where the water and the land meet). Learn about tropical fish, too.

Talk with your child about ways to keep the water and beaches clean and safe for people, animals and fish. Two important ways are to use refillable water bottles instead of plastic water bottles, and to recycle plastic bags, bottles and other items to keep them out of lakes and oceans.