BELLARINE CATCHMENT NETWORK

Landcare and Coastcare



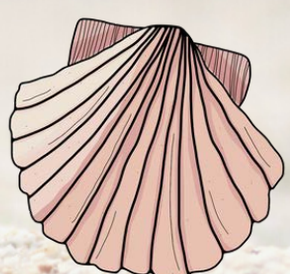


FUN BESIDE THE SEA





an activity booklet







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WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, the Wadawurrung people, and pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

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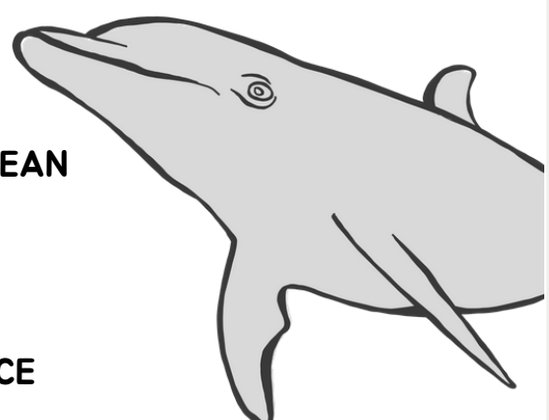
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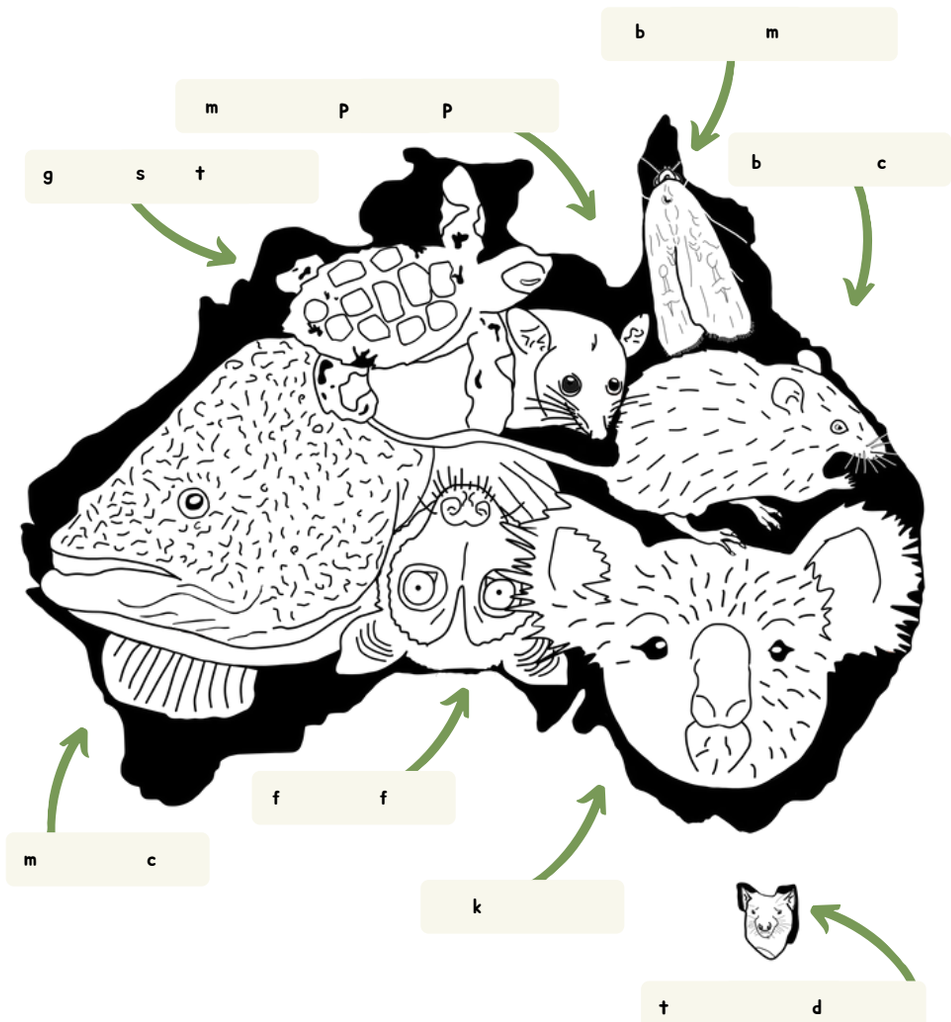
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All of these species face threats to their existence. You can colour them in and try and guess their name in the spaces below!



ANSWERS (clockwise from top left): Green Sea Turtle, Mountain Pygmy Possum, Bogong Moth, Bramble Cay, Tasmanian Devil, Koala, Flying Fox, Murray Cod

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

In the boxes provided, write down all the differences you see between each bird pair. Look for differences in colour, shape, size and plumage.



great crested tern



whiskered tern

example: yellow beak



caspian tern



common tern



little pied cormorant



pied cormorant



little black cormorant



great cormorant

COLOUR IN A WETLAND

Colour in some of the animals that live in a wetland habitat. Guess the name of each species and write it underneath them!



BIRD WATCHING

In the boxes below, write the names of 4 different bird species, the date and time you saw them and draw a sketch of the bird.

name of bird:

date: **time:**

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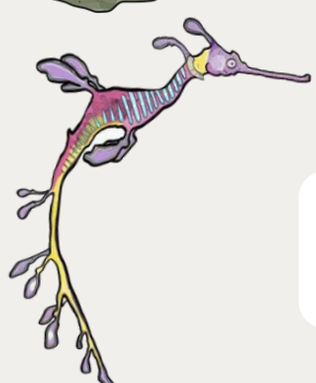
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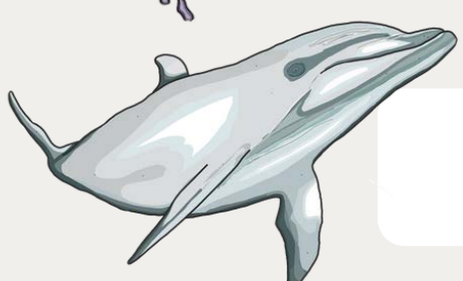
ANIMAL LIFETIMES

You might be surprised at how long some animals live. Identify and name the animals below and guess their maximum lifetime (e.g. 20 years) in the small boxes!









name	age

ANSWERS (top to bottom): ~20 years, ~15–20 years, ~5–7 years, ~17 years

BEACH BINGO

Visit a beach and play this game of bingo! Tick off things when you see them!

 snail eggs ☐	 abalone ☐	 shark egg ☐	 operculum ☐
 decorator crab ☐	 neptune's necklace ☐	 periwinkle ☐	 berries ☐
 angasi oyster ☐	 swim bladder ☐	 shark egg ☐	 sea urchin ☐
 zebra top ☐	 sea glass ☐	 sand collar ☐	 elephant snail ☐
 squid pen ☐	 sea lettuce ☐	 limpet ☐	 cuttlefish bone ☐

PLANT DIVERSITY

Plants come in all shapes, sizes, colours and types. In the boxes provided, head to your backyard, coastline or local park and draw a leaf or flower that have the features listed below.

a leaf with a smooth edge	a round leaf
a thin, long leaf	a flower with more than 3 petals

SPOT THE LITTER

Colour in some of these common items that you would find on the beach. Spot the litter items by writing 'litter' next to them.



KEEP OUR COAST CLEAN

There are many ways that we can keep our coasts clean. Sort out the actions below and choose which box they should go in. Write them in and then compare your answers with ours.

pick up after dogs	pick up beach litter	dump chemicals down the drain
wash cars on grass	drop cigarettes	compost dead leaves
go to the toilet in the ocean	take your rubbish home	use slow release fertilisers

things we should do

things we should <u>NOT</u> do

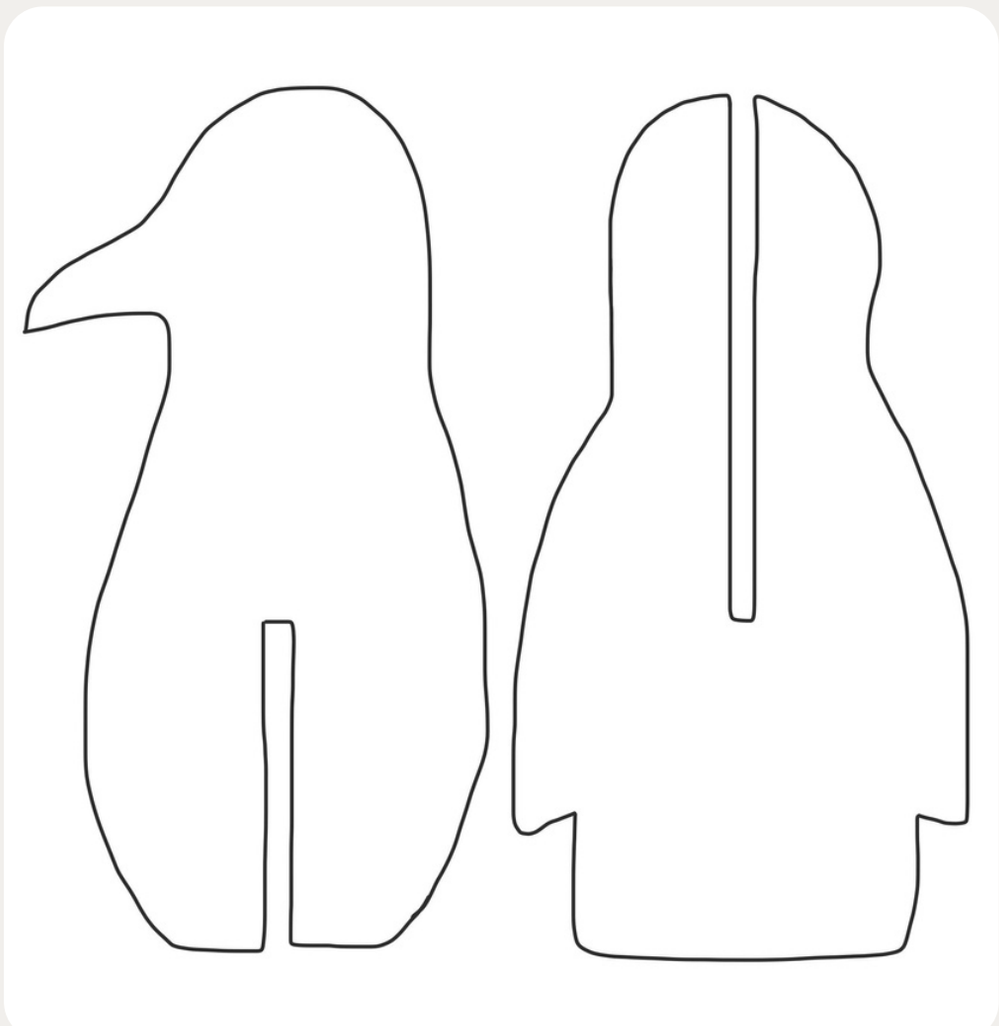
HEROES OF THE SEA

Use the 'stickers' below to make your own poster about how we can all protect the sea. Write a 'call to action' about how we can reduce litter in our marine environments. Example: leave only footprints!



PENGUIN PAL

Penguins are often seen along coastlines, either swimming or nesting. To create your own penguin character:
a) cut out the pages below and trace the outline onto cardboard
b) paint or colour in your character
c) cut out your cardboard character (ask for adult assistance if needed)
d) assemble your character



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