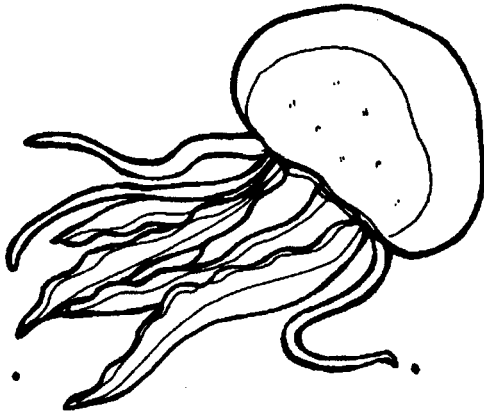


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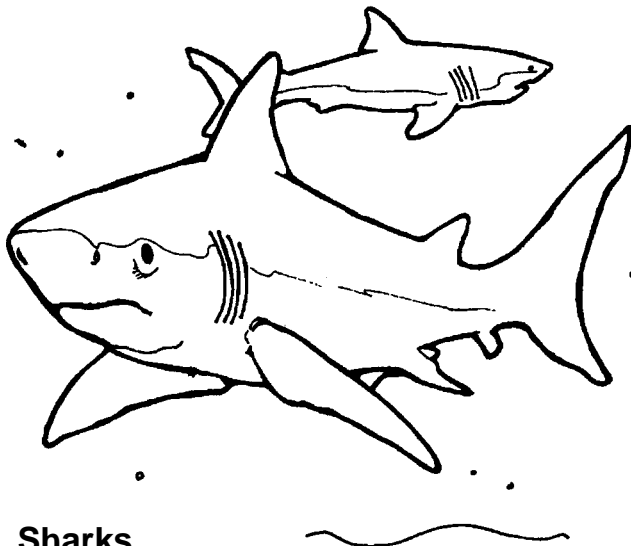
### Jellyfish

Jellyfish float in the sea. They look like clear bells with thin streamers called tentacles hanging from them. Their bodies are mostly made of water. Most jellyfish tentacles hold bubbles, which shoot out threads of poison. These paralyze the victims. Some jellyfish are no bigger than a pinhead, and some have been known to have bodies eight feet (2.4m) long and tentacles measuring over two hundred feet (60m) long.



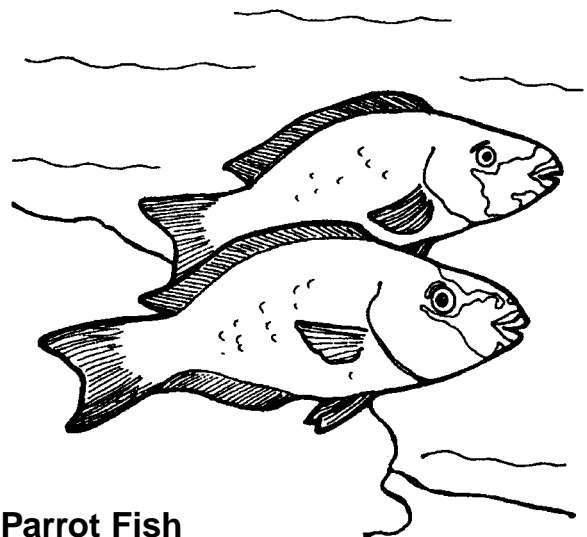
### Moray Eels

Moray eels are scary-looking fish that look like prehistoric animals when they swim. They range in size from 2-6 feet (60 cm to 2 m) long. They hide in cracks and crevices among the coral and feed on smaller fish. They are harmless to people unless disturbed.



### Sharks

There are over 250 kinds of sharks, and even though some kinds are dangerous to people, most are not. The shark is a fish, but it is different from other fish in many ways. They have no bones, only cartilage. Most fish lay eggs, but some sharks give birth to live young.



### Parrot Fish

These blue and pink fish have mouths that look like a parrot's beak. Their bright colors blend in with the waters and coral of the reef. They use their strong teeth and parrot-shaped mouths to scrape away the shells of coral so they can feed on the living polyps underneath.

# Be a Careful Diver

Careful scuba divers know never to touch the coral reef or they can harm the coral polyps that live there.

A scuba diver uses portable metal tanks of compressed air to breathe. One tank will allow a diver to stay 40 feet (12 meters) underwater for about an hour. The word “scuba” stands for self-contained underwater breathing apparatus. Divers wear face masks, wet suits, gloves, air tanks, and swim fins. They use snorkels while swimming at the surface of the water to conserve the air in their tanks.

To the right is a picture of a scuba diver. Use the following words to label the equipment.

- Wetsuit**
- Air Tank**
- Gloves**
- Belt**
- Face Mask**
- Snorkel**
- Swim Fins**

