

Marine Animals (English - Writing Challenges)

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Deep Sea Diver

In your attic, you find a deep sea diving suit.
Describe where you would go on an adventure.

Would you visit the busy coral reefs?
Or the deep, dark depths of the ocean?

What sea creatures would you meet along your way?
Would they be in any sort of trouble and need your help?



Colourful Coral Reef

Describe what a coral reef looks like. Make sure to include some exciting adjectives!

Things to think about when writing your description:

- the colours;
- the textures;
- the creatures living there;
- the dangers the creatures may face.



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Turtle-tastic!

Pretend you are a sea turtle. Write about your life.

Have you ever eaten a plastic bag after thinking it was your favourite food (a jellyfish)?

Have you ever got caught in a fishing net? How did you get free?



If sea creatures could speak...

You go swimming one day to find that you can hear what the animals in the sea are saying.

Write what the different sea animals are saying.

Will they be friendly?

What do they think of humans?

Do they need any help?

What do they like and dislike?



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Describe the Humpback Whale

Write some sentences to describe the humpback whale. Use some of the words and phrases from the box below to help you.

gigantic **mighty** **colossal**
gentle **rough** **grey**
bumpy **long** **enormous** **slow**



Sad Sea Monster

Deep down under the sea, there lived a very unhappy sea monster...

Using the sentence starter above, write the story of how the sea monster became so unhappy.

Did someone throw plastic into his home?

Did somebody spill oil into the ocean?

Did he get caught in a fishing net?

Does he have other sea monsters to play with?

Write about how the sea monster finally became happy again. After writing your story, draw a picture of the sea monster.

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Ocean Animal Acrostic

Write an acrostic poem about your favourite animal who lives under the sea.

Can you think of a line of poetry to go with each letter? Before starting your poem, gather some ideas. Think of lots of words or phrases that relate to your ocean animal.

Once you have finished, decorate your poem with some pictures around the edge.



Amazing Antarctic

Write a paragraph to describe the setting in the picture below. Use some of the words below to help you with your description.

still snowy white
dark clouds calm sea
icy freezing quiet

