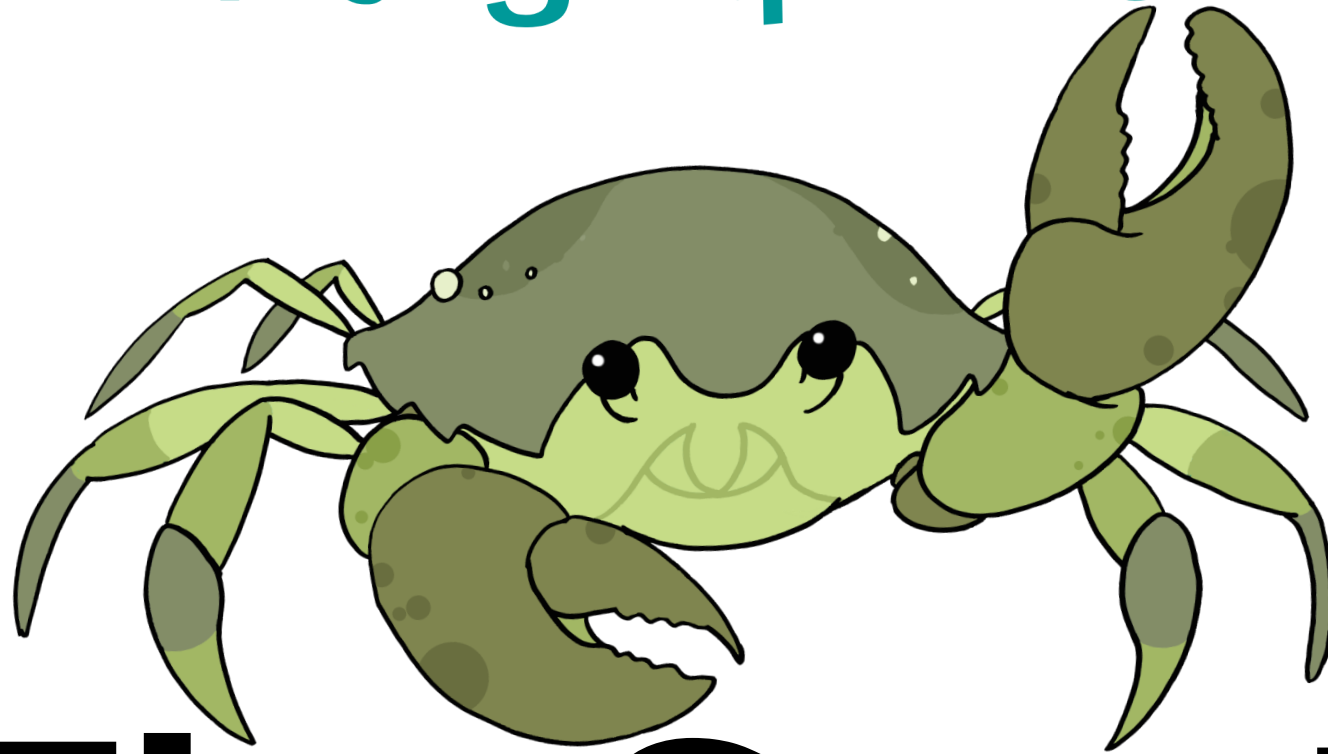
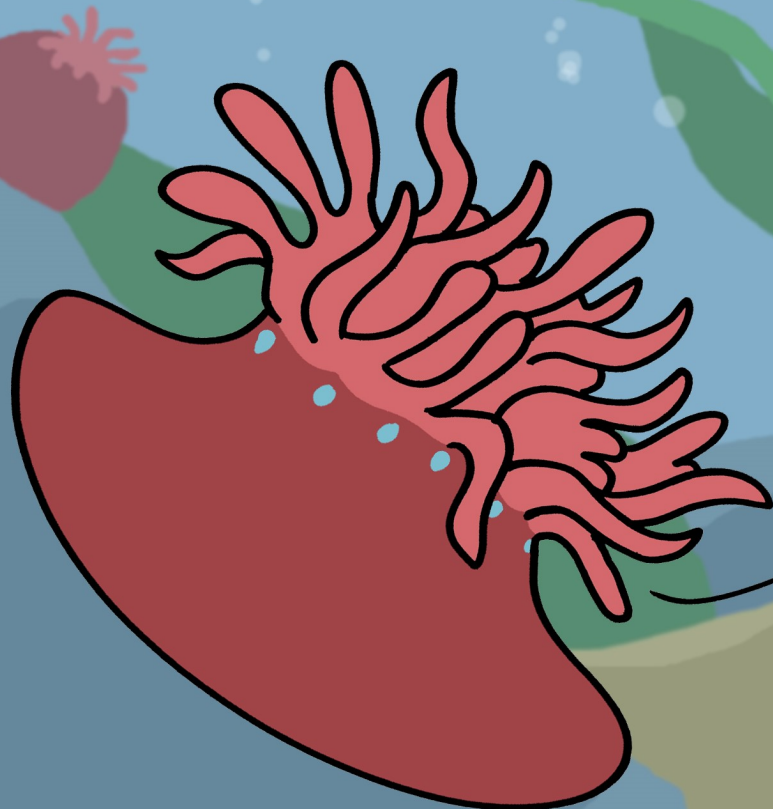


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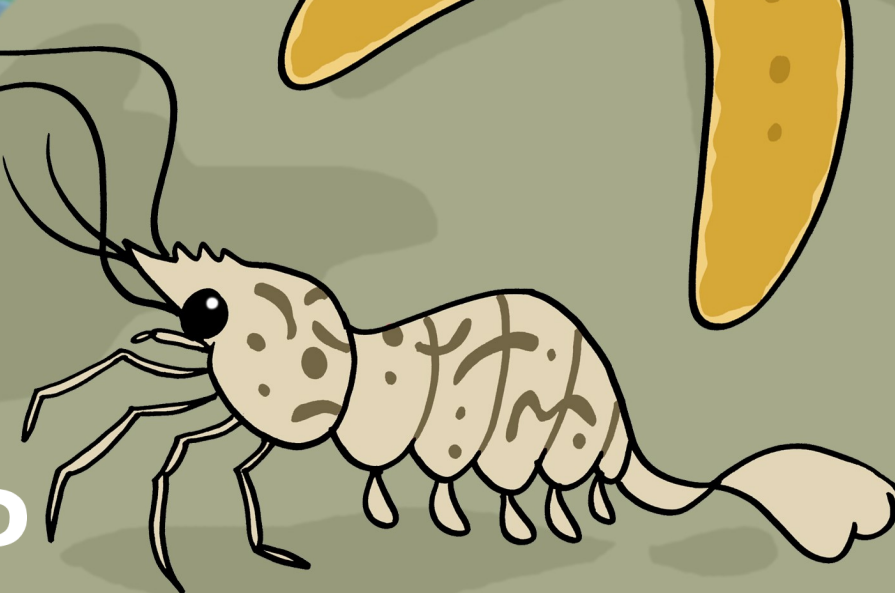


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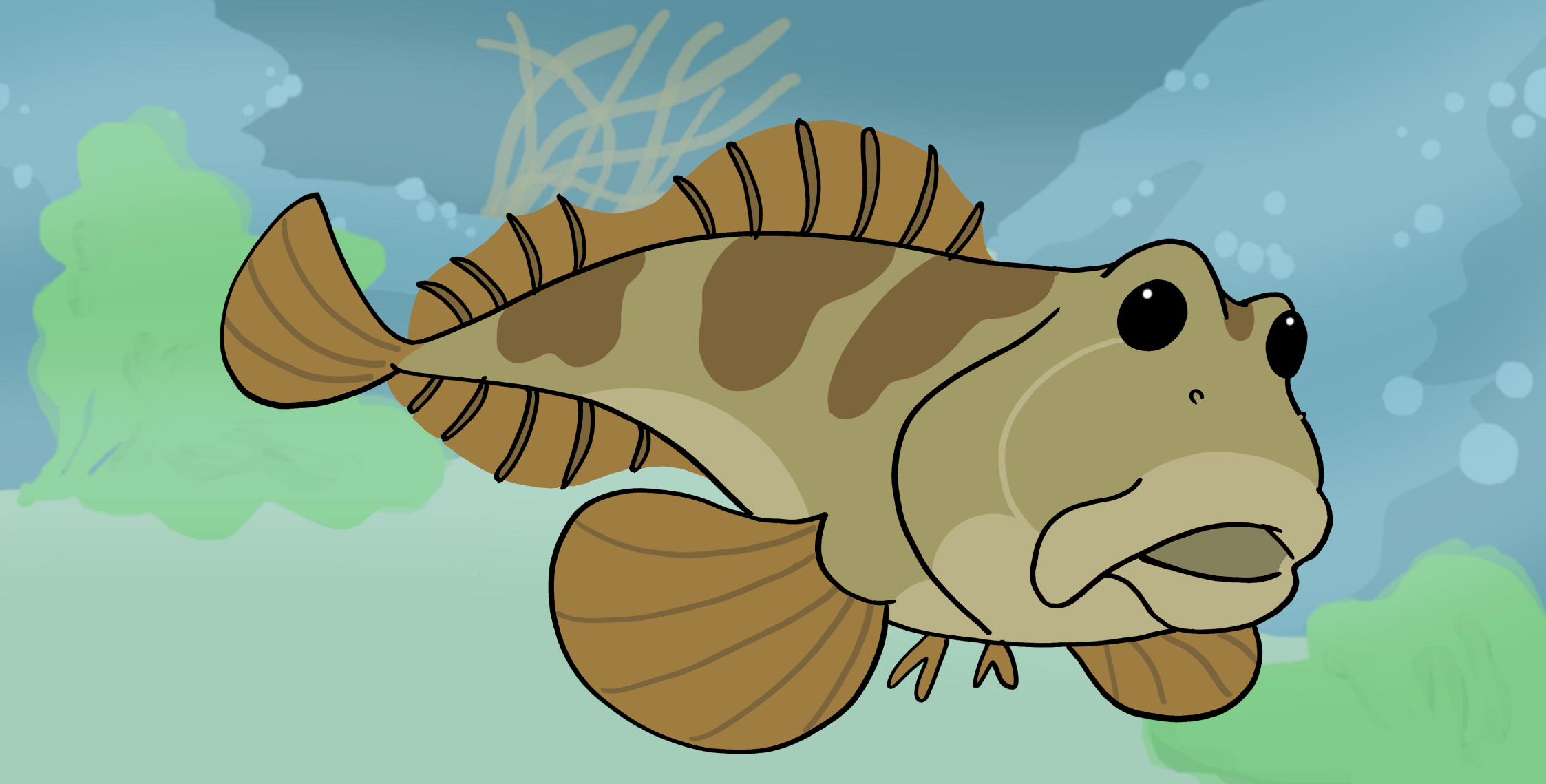
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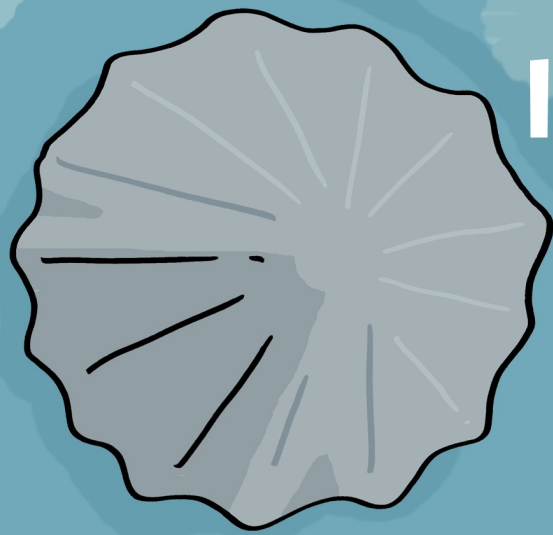
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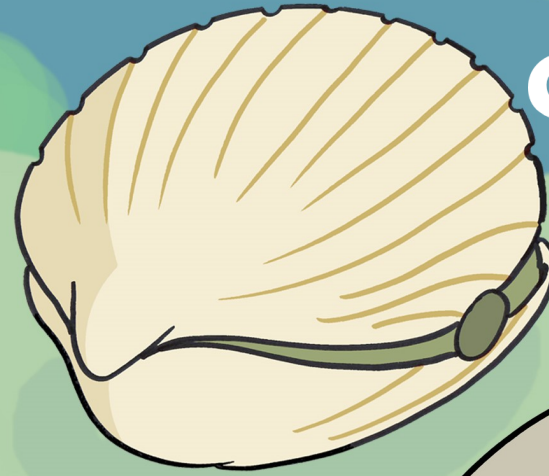
Rockpools are formed when the sea goes out and leaves areas of water on the rocks. Exploring them is a fun way of seeing some unusual and interesting species.



This small, stout fish is a blenny, but also known as a shanny or sea frog! Their patterned skin helps camouflage these shy fish, who may be found hiding under seaweed.

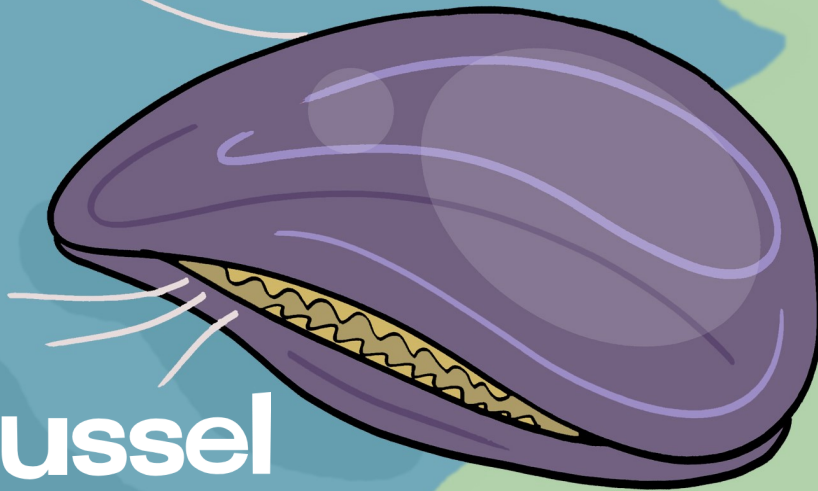
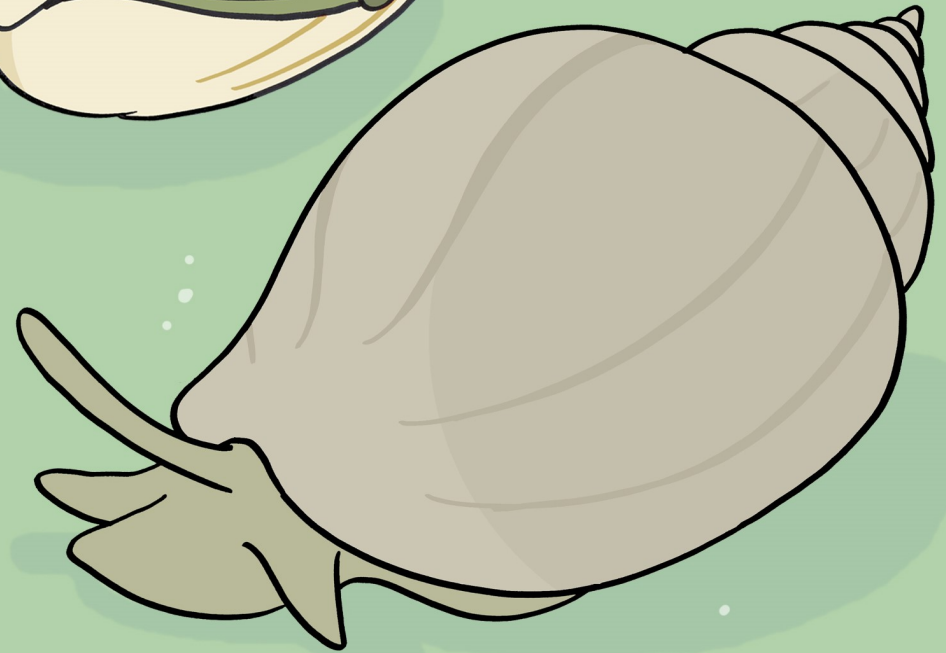


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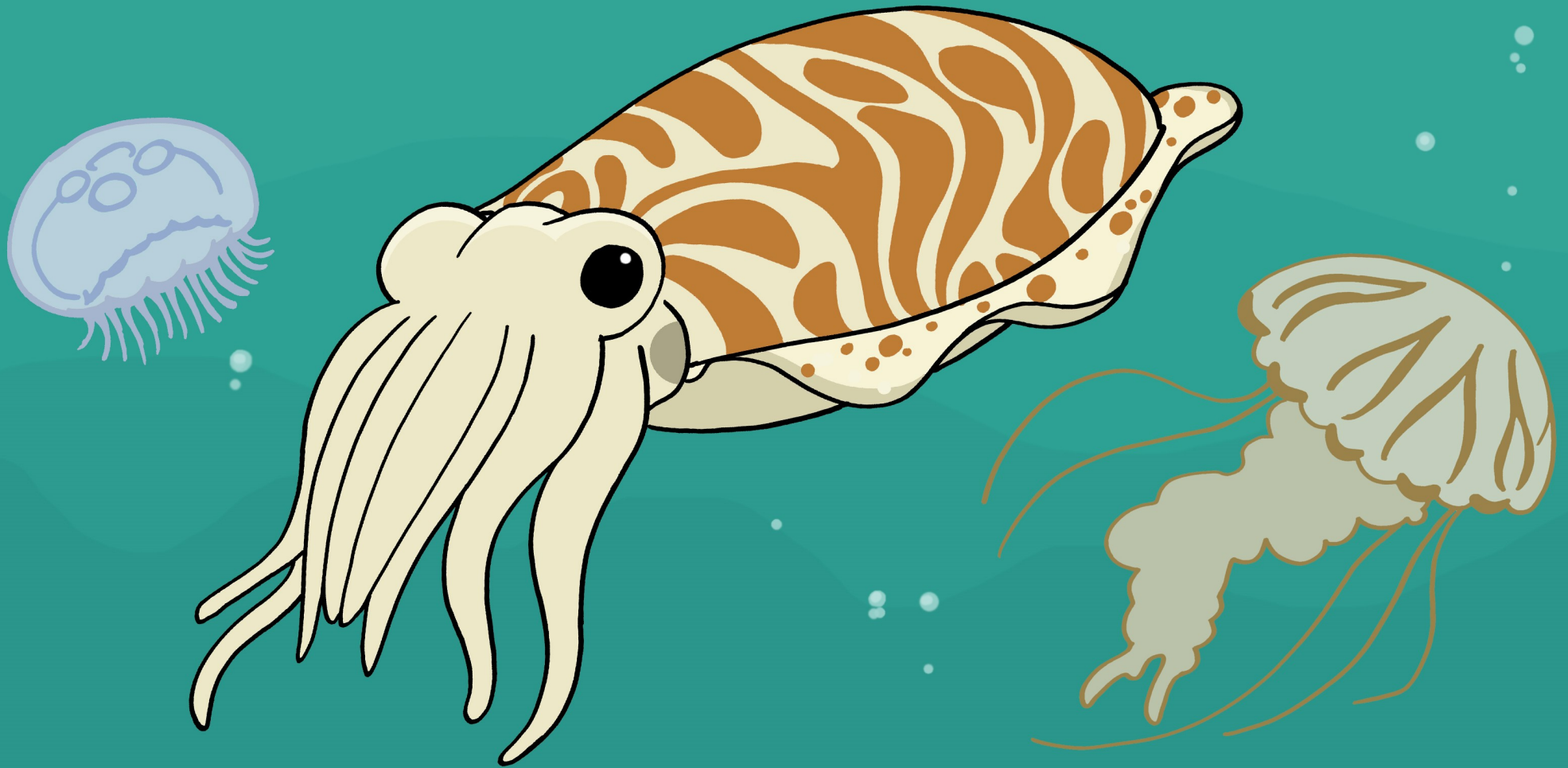


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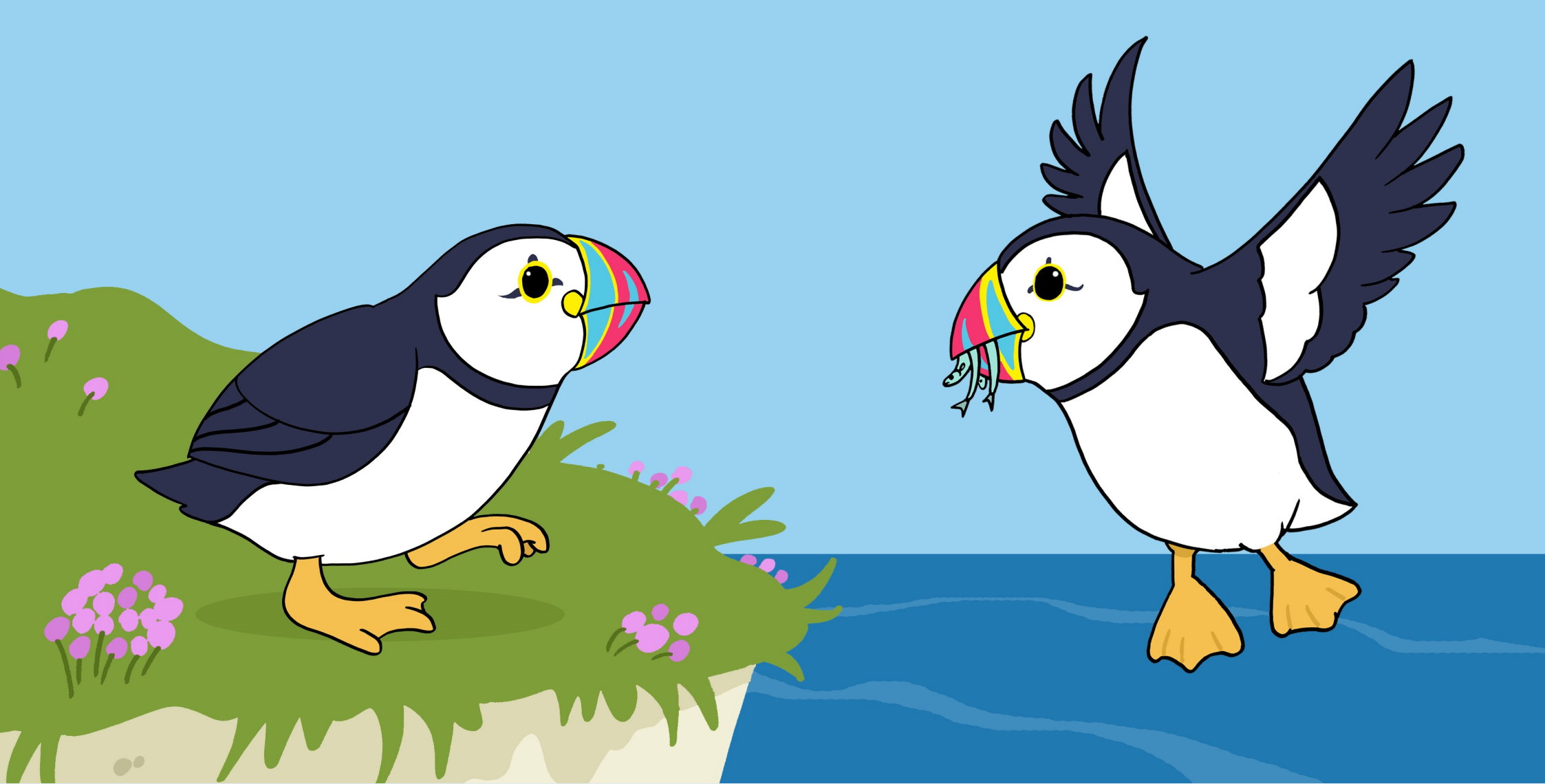
A visit to the beach is not the same unless you collect some shells. If you do, could you match the shell shape to the creatures that once lived in them?



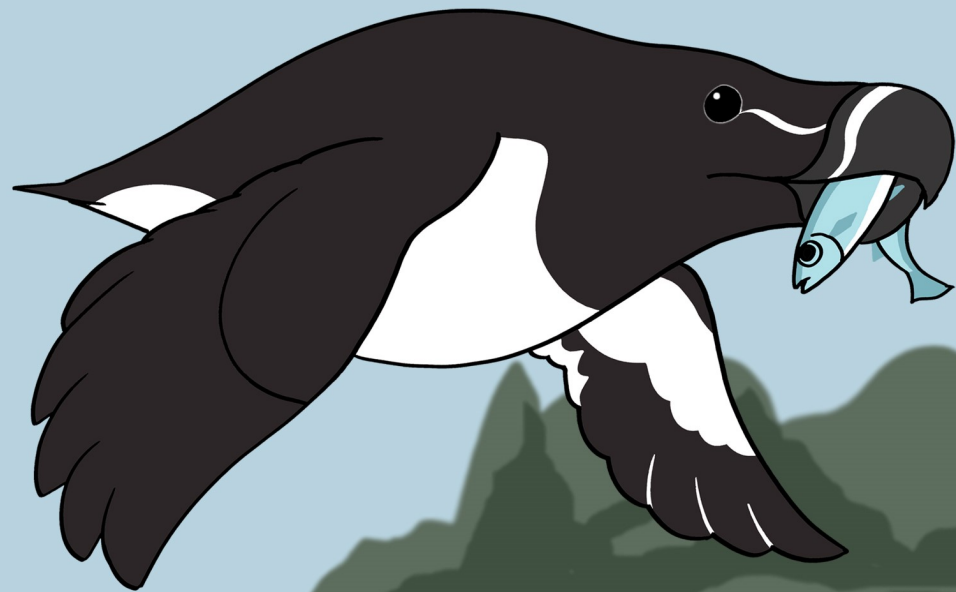
Shore crabs are easily spotted if you carefully move rocks or weed in a pool. Always treat any creatures you find with care and replace them back where they were found.



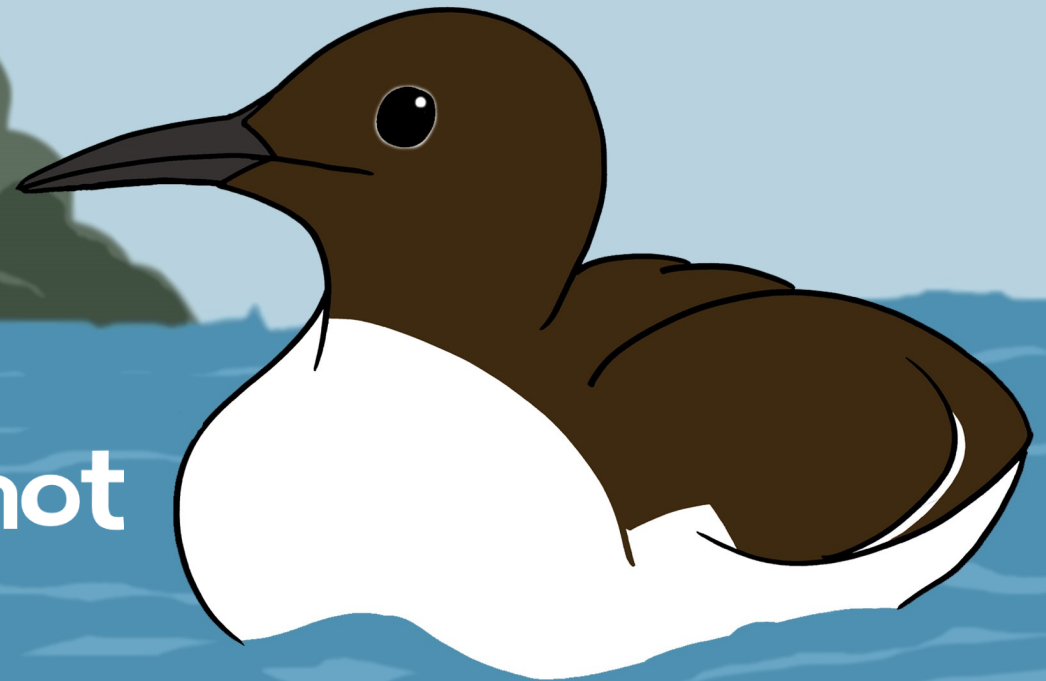
Neither jellyfish nor cuttlefish are actually true fish, but they can be found in the seas around our islands. Cuttlefish bones can wash up on the beach, looking like tiny, white surfboards!



High cliffs are very dangerous for people, but they do provide a home to seabirds who nest there, seeking to avoid the risk of predators. These puffins nest in old rabbit burrows!



razorbill

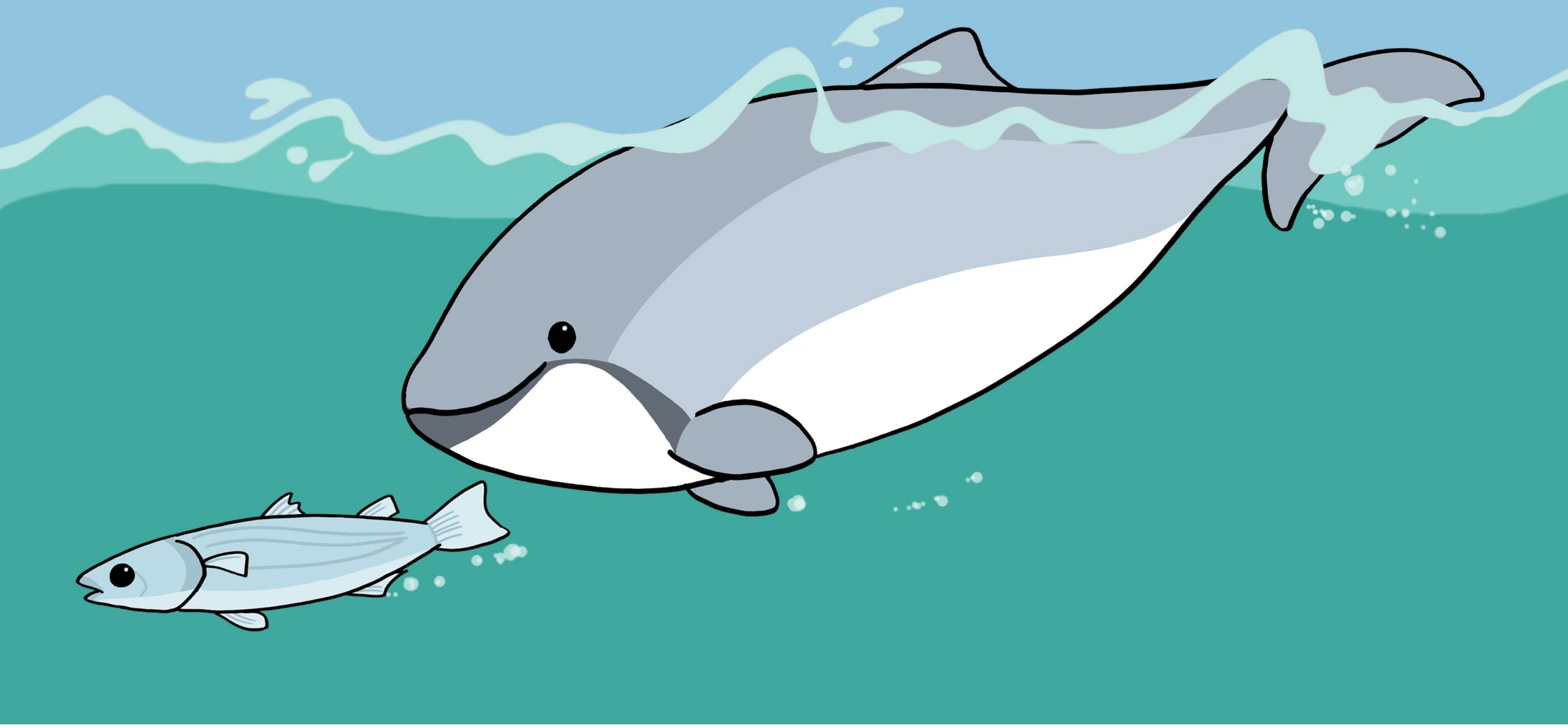


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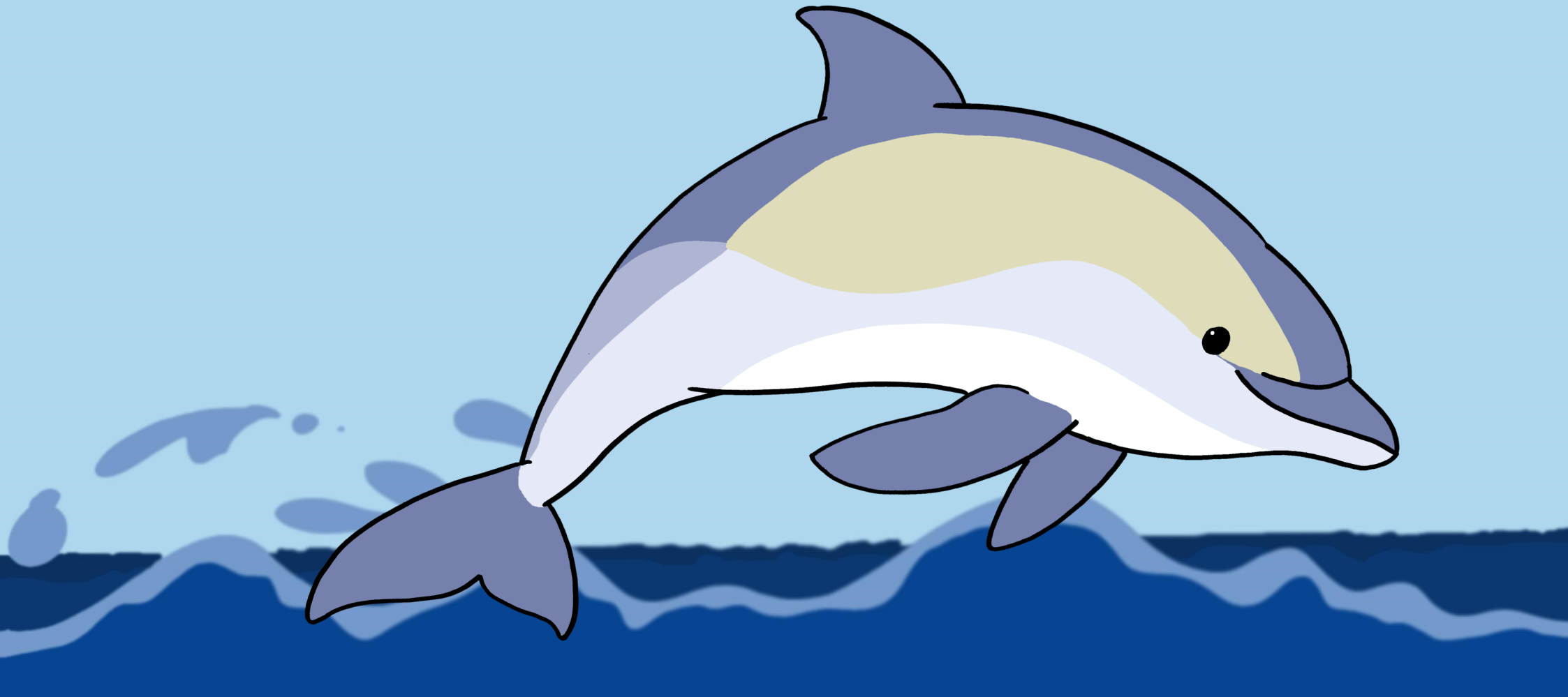
The sea provides a source of food for many species of birds. Guillemots and razorbills are found in the same places and are similar in size and colour. Could you tell them apart?



Gannets fly over the sea to locate shoals of fish and then make incredible high dives, closing their wings like a dart to grab their food.



If you are lucky, you may be able to spot marine mammals, such as whales, dolphins and even this, much smaller, harbour porpoise.



Did you enjoy learning about our coastal creatures?

What can you remember?

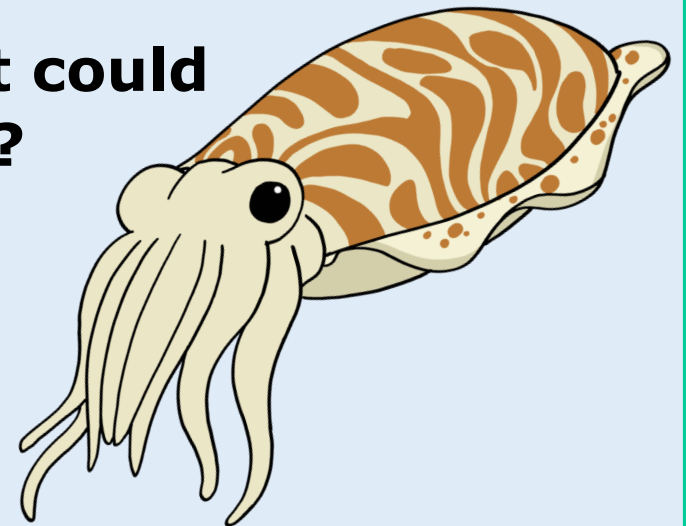
Questions

Which bird makes a nest in old rabbit burrows?

Can you name 2 types of shelled creatures?

What should you do if you catch any rockpool animals?

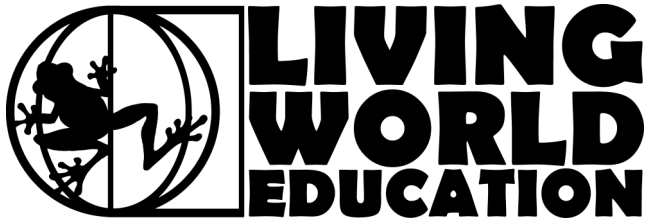
Can you come up with some rules that could keep you safe when visiting the coast?



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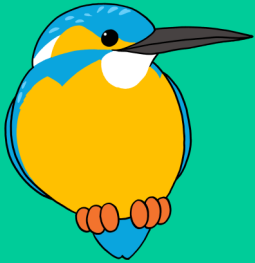
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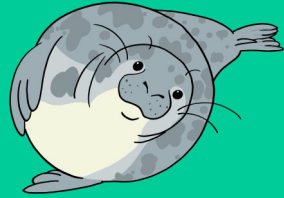
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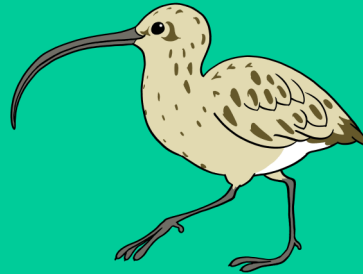
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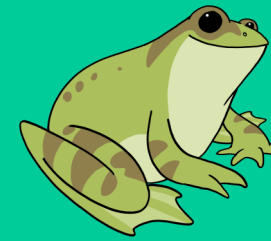
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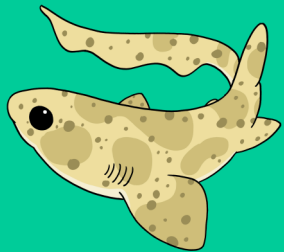
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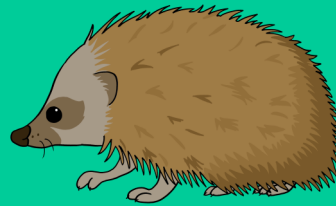
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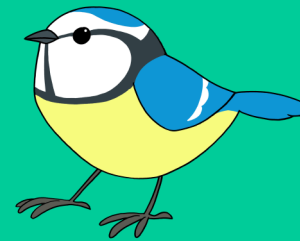
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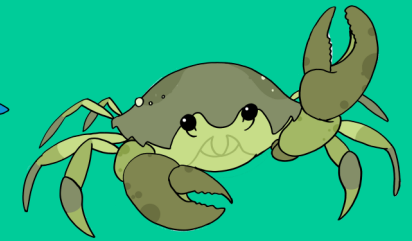
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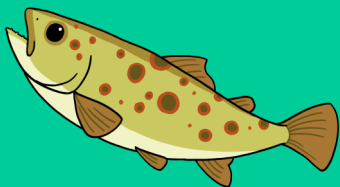
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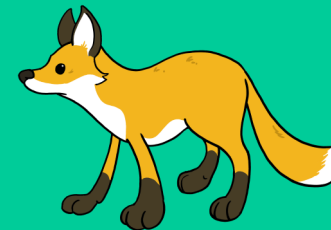
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