

# FREAKY FACTS UNDERSEA ENCOUNTERS

## QUIZ

**You can find the answers in the Undersea Encounters books, but the answers can also be found in similar books about undersea life.**

1. What fish blows up like a balloon with spikes that stick straight out when a predator comes near?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

2. What fish floats through the kelp forest and looks more like a piece of seaweed than a fish?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

3. What fish hides in the sand, has a flat body, and has both eyes on ONE side of its head?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

4. What echinoderm has the worst table manners? To eat it pushes its stomach out its mouth, then digests its food, turning it into a kind of undersea milkshake.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

5. This undersea reptile survivor was on earth at the same time as the dinosaurs. Males never leave the ocean, but females come ashore to lay their eggs in the sand.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

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6. What is the fastest invertebrate animal in the ocean?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

7. What animal uses live animals--stinging anemones--in its claws as living weapons?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

8. What is the biggest animal EVER to live on earth? (Hint: it's NOT a T-rex).

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

9. What huge mollusk has the biggest eyeballs in the ocean?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

10. This crab has legs that are 6-feet long (and no, it's not a creature in a science fiction movie).

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

11. What undersea animal has no fins, no flippers, no nose, no claws, and no ears? It does have blue blood and a beak and big eyes that are very much like human eyes.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

12. Which undersea dad is also a mom? He carries and gives birth to his babies.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

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13. These undersea mammals are sometimes called sea cows because they eat mainly sea grass.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

14. When a fish gets sick, it may go to a "fish doctor" called a cleaning fish. This helps both animals--one fish gets well, and the other fish gets to nibble on the fish's parasites. What is the name of this behavior?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

15. This animal glows in the dark, has a "cape," and fangs. But it doesn't live in Transylvania.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

16. Is coral a mineral, an animal, a vegetable, or what?

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

17. What is the simplest animal that can be seen without a microscope? It can't move, and has no nerves or muscles. It's also the star of a popular cartoon.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

18. One of the only cephalopods with a shell, this animal lives in very deep water, and has over 100 tentacles. It is called a living fossil because it was on earth millions of years before the dinosaurs ever appeared.

**Answer** \_\_\_\_\_

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### Score:

#### **0 answers correct.**

You are a landlubber indeed! Time to dive into a good book about the ocean or visit an aquarium, then try again.

#### **1-5 answers correct**

Not bad. Now it's time to take the plunge and read even a few more books.

#### **6-10 answers correct**

Good job!

#### **11-15 answers correct**

Wow.! You know a lot about the ocean!

#### **16-18 answers correct.**

You're on your way to becoming the next Jacques Cousteau!  
Congratulations!

**Answers:**  
1. pufferfish 2. sea dragon 3. flounder 4. starfish 5. sea turtle 6. squid 7. crab (Boxer crab) 8. blue whale 9. giant squid 10. spider crab 11. octopus. 12. seahorse. 13. manatee 14. symbiosis 15. vampire squid. 16. coral is an animal related to jellyfish 17. sponge 18. nautilus