



## LEARNING LADDERS

# Under the Sea

In *Under the Sea*, learn about giant whales, fierce sharks, tiny seahorses, and many other exciting sea creatures.

### What did you learn?

#### QUESTIONS

- To swim, a whale moves its tail ...
  - In a circle
  - Forward and backward
  - Up and down
  - Side to side
- To move, a manta ray flaps its ...
  - Wings
  - Tail
  - Tentacles
  - Propellers
- To slip easily into narrow hiding places, fish have ...
  - Strong skin
  - Slimy skin
  - A thick body
  - A thin body
- Sea anemones trap creatures in their ...
  - Fins
  - Tentacles
  - Arms
  - Mouth
- A newborn blue whale weighs as much as what—a grown horse or a grown elephant?
- Can dolphins smell?

#### TRUE OR FALSE?

1. A sea turtle can live for as long as 300 years.
2. Sharks can see, hear, and smell a meal from far away.
3. An octopus pumps water out of a funnel in its body to help it swim.
4. Crabs move sideways.
5. Tuskfish have extremely dull teeth.
6. Baby seahorses grow inside their mother's pouch.



## ANSWERS

- 1. c. Up and down.** According to section "Dolphin and Whale" on page 4, we know that "To swim, a whale flips its powerful tail up and down." So, the correct answer is C.
- 2. a. Wings.** According to section "Ray" on page 13, we know that "To move, a manta ray flaps its massive wings slowly up and down." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. d. A thin body.** According to section "Colorful Fish" on page 19, we know that "A thin body can slip easily into narrow hiding places." So, the correct answer is D.
- 4. b. Tentacles.** According to section "Unusual Creatures" on page 22, we know that "A sea anemone looks like a pretty flower, but this animal traps creatures in its tentacles and eats them!" So, the correct answer is B.
- 5.** According to page 4, a newborn blue whale weighs as much as a grown elephant.
- 6.** No. According to page 26, dolphins cannot smell.

## TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to section "Sea Turtle" on page 6, we know that "A sea turtle can live for as long as 100 years." So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. True.** According to section "Shark" on page 8, we know that "It can see, hear, and smell a meal from far away." So, the correct answer is True.
- 3. True.** According to section "Octopus" on page 10, we know that "An octopus pumps water out of a funnel in its body to help it swim." So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. True.** According to section "Crab" on page 16, we know that "A crab moves sideways on its bony legs." So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. False.** According to section "Colorful Fish" on page 18, we know that "This tuskfish has needle-sharp teeth for crunching shellfish." So, the correct answer is False.
- 6. False.** According to section "Seahorse" on page 21, we know that "Baby seahorses grow inside their father's pouch and pop out one after the other." So, the correct answer is False.