

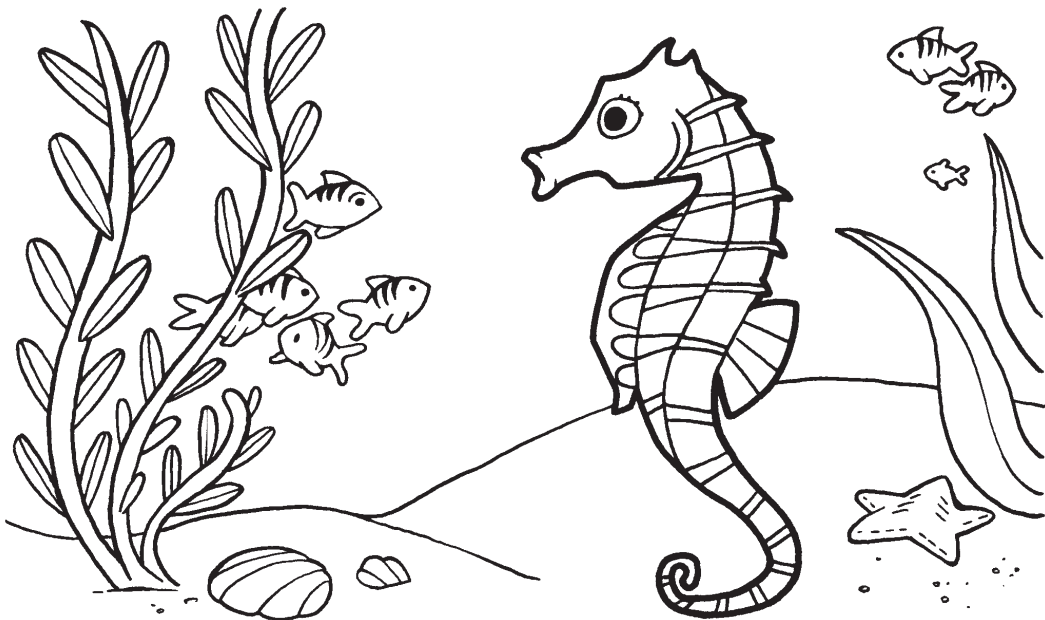


An Odd Fish

A seahorse does not swim like other fish do. It moves through the water like a rocking horse. Its head looks like a horse's head. It uses its long **snout** to suck up food.

The seahorse has a hard body that feels like bones. It can wrap its tail around a piece of seaweed. It hides there so that sea turtles and sharks do not find it.

A male seahorse gives birth to the babies! The female puts her eggs into his pouch. He carries the eggs for six weeks. Then the little babies pop out and swim away.





An Odd Fish (cont.)

Directions: Fill in the bubble next to the right answer.

1. A seahorse's head looks like

- Ⓐ a horse's.
- Ⓑ seaweed.

2. What happens last?

- Ⓐ The male carries the eggs.
- Ⓑ The babies swim away.

3. What makes a seahorse different from other fish?

- Ⓐ It swims in a different way.
- Ⓑ It is a horse, not a fish.

4. A snout is

- Ⓐ an ear.
- Ⓑ a nose and mouth.

5. Why does the seahorse hide from sea turtles and sharks?

- Ⓐ They want to eat the seahorse.
- Ⓑ They are playing hide and seek.