

# Ocean Animals and Their Special Adaptations

Grade 2

Science

Vocabulary Match

Ocean animals Theme

NGSS.2-LS2-2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Discover how ocean animals change to survive underwater.*

Write the letter of the correct definition in the box next to each word.

FINS

GILLS

SHELL

CAMOUFLAGE

ADAPTATION

TEETH

FLIPPERS

TENTACLES

## DEFINITIONS

- A** special feature that helps an animal survive
- B** body parts fish use to swim and steer in water
- C** coloring that helps animals hide in their environment
- D** hard outer covering that protects an animal's body
- E** hard parts in mouth used to catch and eat food
- F** long arm-like body parts octopuses use to grab things
- G** flat limbs that help seals and dolphins move
- H** special body parts that help fish breathe underwater

## **BONUS CHALLENGE**

Choose 3 words and write a sentence using each one.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

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TEACHER / PARENT USE ONLY — Correct letters shown in circles

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