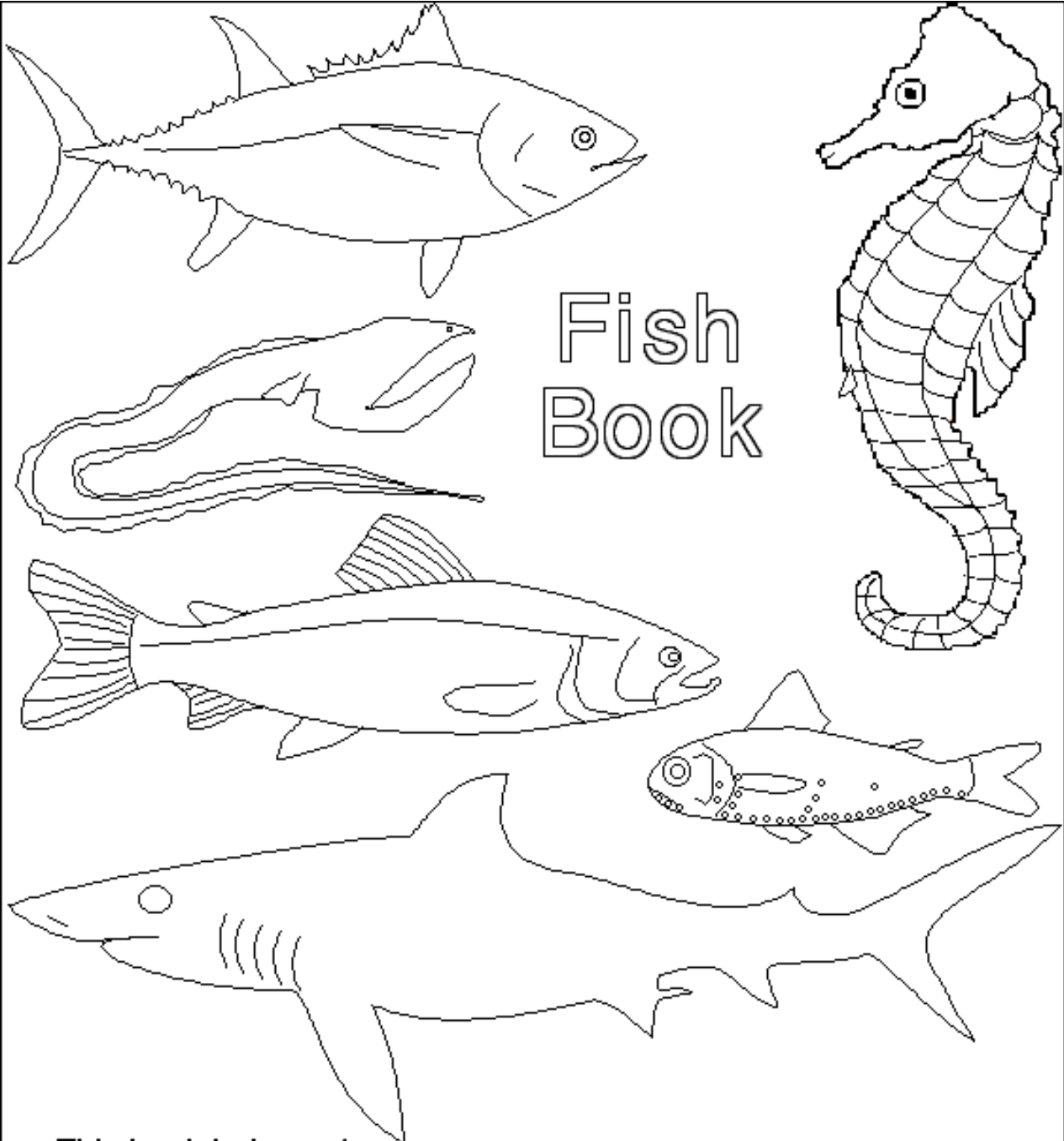




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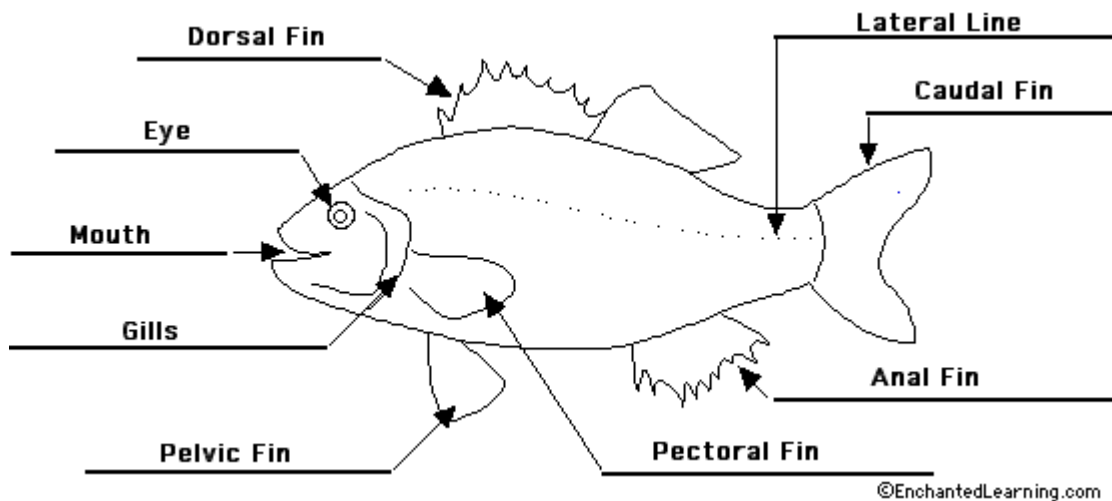
Fish Book

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FISH FACTS



Fish are animals that live in water and breathe using gills. Water goes in through the mouth and out through the gills, which take oxygen from the water. Most fish swim by moving their tail (also called the caudal fin) left and right.

There are many kinds of fish; some have bones but others, like sharks and rays have no bones, only cartilage. Most fish have scales to protect them from damage and things like sunburn and germs. Most of fish also have a swim bladder that helps them float in the water.

On the inside fish have organs just like humans - a heart, liver, kidney, brain and intestines - just a lot smaller. Most of fish are cold-blooded, which means their temperature goes down when they are in cold water, and rises in warm water. They eat plankton, shrimp, shellfish and other fish. Some also eat seaweed and other plants.

The biggest fish in the world is the Whale Shark; it is a shark but not a whale. The whale shark is up to 46 feet (14 m) long and weighs up to 15 tons. Not all sharks are dangerous. There are about 370 different types of shark, but less than 10 of these are considered dangerous to humans.

Q. Why are fish easy to weigh?

A. They have their own scales.

Q. Why are fish so smart?

A. They always go around in schools

Q. Who are the strongest creatures in the ocean?

A. Mussels

Q. What did the sea say to the beach?

A. Nothing. It just waved.

