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Sea turtle



These migratory marine animals breathe with lungs, not gills. They lay and bury eggs on sandy beaches.



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Sea star



They attach themselves to rocks. They absorb oxygen through their outer structures.



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Sea horse



These are not horses at all. They are fish. They have gills but no fins. They live in warm, tropical water.



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Horseshoe crab



Horseshoe crab bodies are split into different sections. They live in and around shallow salt water. They breathe with gills.



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Shrimp



Shrimp have 10 legs. They breathe through gills. They eat plants and small animals. There are many kinds of shrimp.



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Spider crab



These scavengers have 10 legs. They use gills to breathe. Many live in deep water along the seabed.



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Sea anemone



Sea anemones look like plants but are animals. They have been around for over 500 million years. They breathe through pores.



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Jellyfish



Jellyfish live in oceans all over the world. They breathe through pores. They have lived on Earth for at least 500 million years.



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Scallop



Scallops have two shells like a clam. They breathe with gills. They have lived on Earth for over 300 million years.