



## Scavenger Hunt Grades 6-12

### WELCOME TO THE AQUARIUM.

As you walk around, see if you can find the answers to the following questions. If you need help, ask an Aquarium educator (they are wearing teal-colored shirts). Have fun and good luck!

**QUESTION 1** | There's an invertebrate that shares a habitat with green sea urchins and hermit crabs. This echinoderm has five eyes, eats with its stomach and breathes through its skin. Which animal is it?

**CHALLENGE 1** | What is the function of the orange or white spot in the center of that animal's body?

**QUESTION 2** | On the second floor, there is a group of animals that moves differently than most of the other fish in the Aquarium. These unique fish come from "down under." Which fish are they?

**CHALLENGE 2** | These "tube noses" have other relatives in the building. What are they and where can you find them?

**QUESTION 3** | As you walk past the Giant Ocean Tank and move to the cooler waters of the Pacific Northwest, try to find the animal that fits this description:

*"The hardest part of my body is my beak, but I am not a sea turtle or a bird. Actually, I don't have any bones at all. In order to escape from predators or to hunt, I can change the color and texture of my body. I am very intelligent...one of the most intelligent animals in the Aquarium. To keep me busy, the aquarists will lock my food in a box and I have to figure out how to open it in order to get my tasty snack."*

Which animal is it?

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**CHALLENGE 3** | What is a cephalopod and what are some others you can find around the building?

**QUESTION 4** | Several of our Giant Ocean Tank residents use beaks to eat and catch food. One of the easiest to spot is the reptile. Which animals in the GOT are reptiles?

**CHALLENGE 4** | Picture yourself as a marine biologist aboard a glass-bottom boat in the waters off of Florida. A tourist reported seeing an adult sea turtle with an injured flipper. You need to monitor the turtle's movements in order to see how serious the turtle's injuries are.

Now find the largest reptile in the Giant Ocean Tank and observe her for at least five minutes. Think of three questions you would ask in order to understand her behavior, and then answer these questions with your observations.

**A** |

**B** |

**C** |

**QUESTION 5** | There are three species of this marine bird at the New England Aquarium. Each one lives in a different part of the world. What type of bird is it?

**CHALLENGE 5** | Draw the Earth's Southern Hemisphere on the back of this sheet, labeling the location of the following terms on your map. Use the graphic panels to help you.

**ROCKHOPPER PENGUINS** | **AUSTRALIA** | **LITTLE BLUE PENGUINS** | **SOUTH AFRICA**  
**ISLANDS OFF OF SOUTH AMERICA** | **AFRICAN PENGUINS** | **EQUATOR** | **ANTARCTICA**