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kids @ the coast

Activities for a great beach holiday





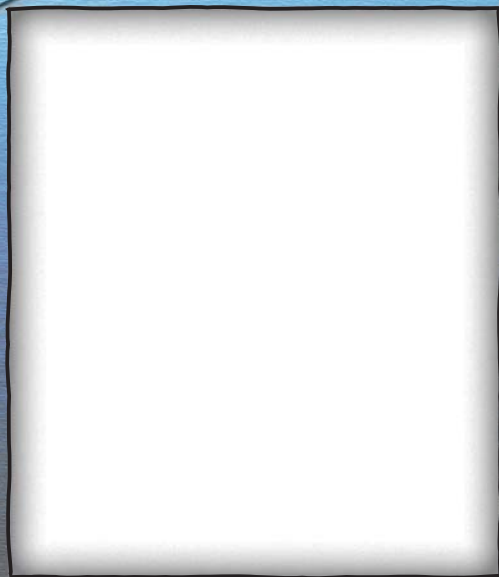
YOUR VICTORIAN COASTAL PASSPORT

Your name:

Home address:

Holiday location:

Dates of holiday:



Your portrait

Enjoy your stay!



Hello, and welcome to my home. Do you know who I am?
I'm an _____

I live in the sand dunes on the coast you are visiting. I use my 18 centimetre long tongue to catch ants... yum!

I lay soft leathery eggs.
I can live for 45 years
and need lots of space,
so please protect
my home by staying
out of the dunes.

Come and
meet some of
my friends

Pssst... keep a look out for me!
Can you find me in this book 6 times?



ANSWER:
Echidna

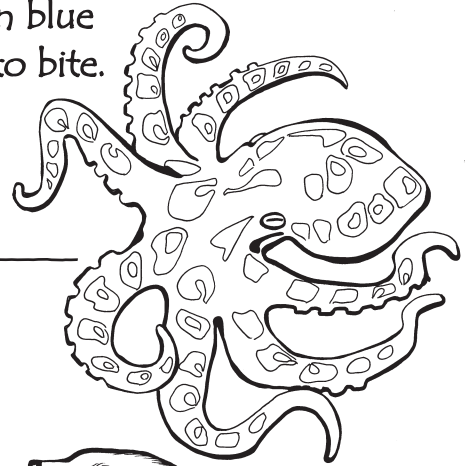
WHO AM I?



My wings can
reach up to
3 metres wide...
can you measure
that distance?
Who am I?

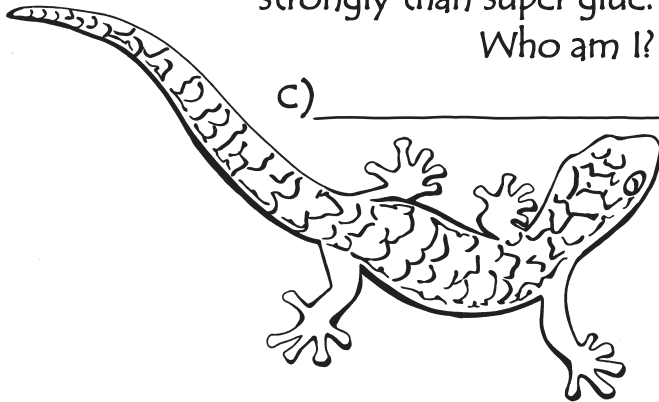
a) _____

Danger! I turn blue
when about to bite.
Who am I?



b) _____

The pads on my feet can stick more
strongly than super glue.
Who am I?



c) _____

I use my whiskers
to help find fish.
Who am I?



d) _____

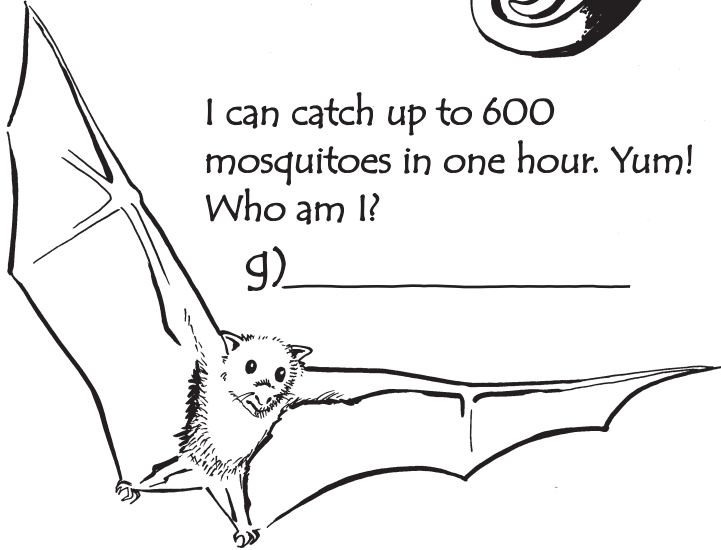
I can have up
to 5 nests,
but am not a bird.
Who am I?

e) _____



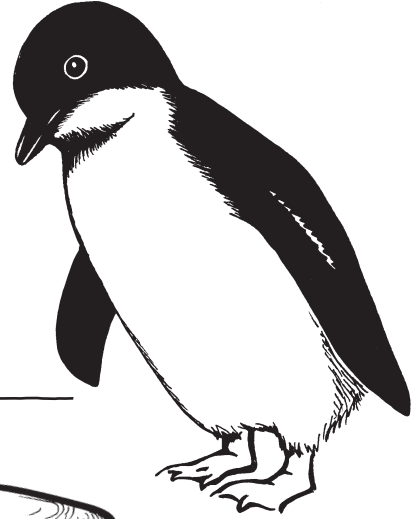
I can catch up to 600
mosquitoes in one hour. Yum!
Who am I?

g) _____



I have around
10,000 feathers,
but I cannot fly.
Who am I?

f) _____



I sway my tentacles like
an elephant's trunk.
Who am I?

h) _____

Answers:

- a) Albatross; b) Blue-ringed Octopus; c) Marbled Checko
(d) Australian Fur Seal; e) Ring-tail Possum; f) Little Penguin
g) Microbat; h) Elephant Snail.

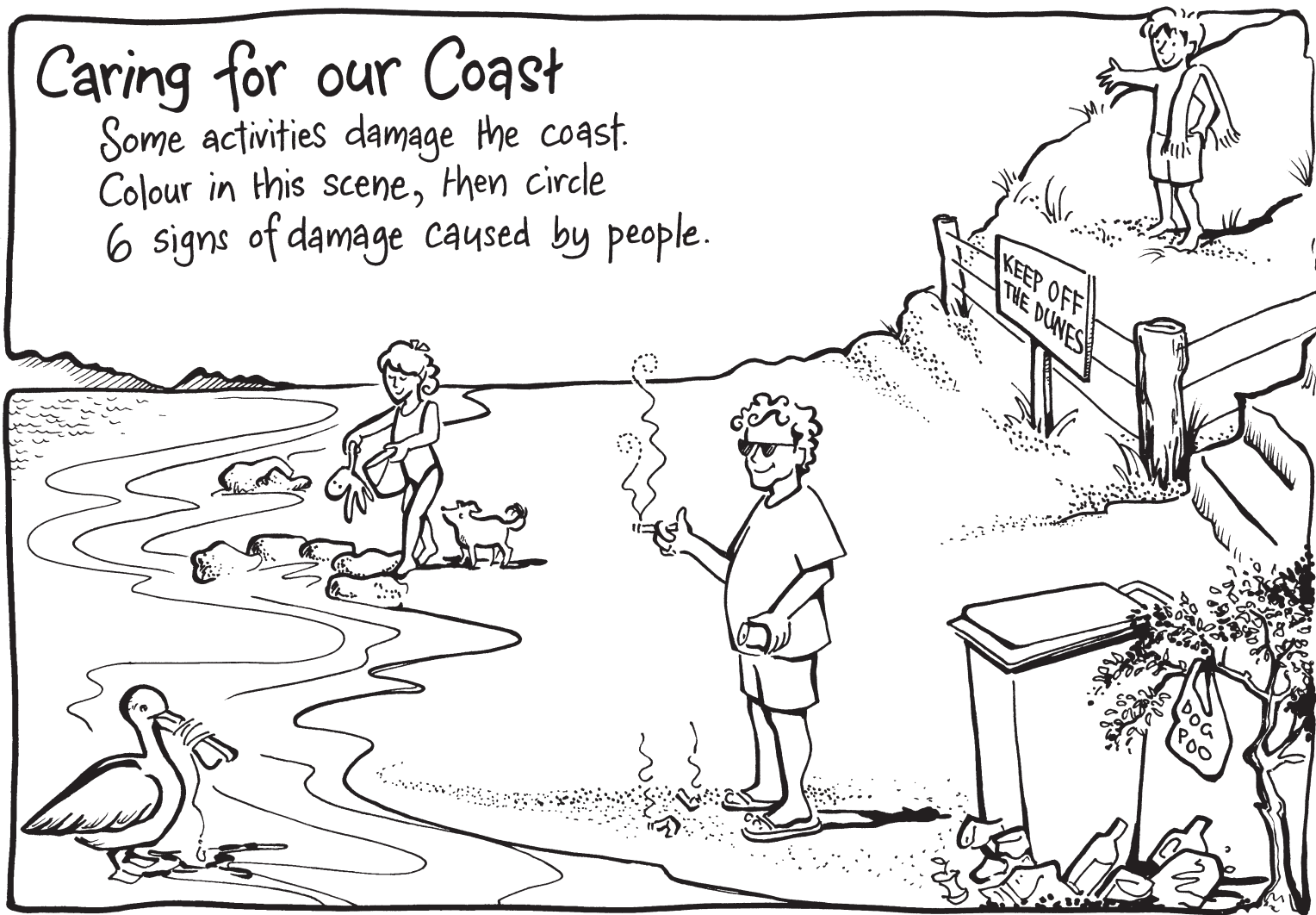


Caring for our Coast

Some activities damage the coast.

Colour in this scene, then circle

6 signs of damage caused by people.



Coast Care Challenge Game:

TAKE TURNS TO MOVE ALONG THE TRAIL USING SHELLS, PEBBLES OR COINS AS COUNTERS. NO DICE?? WRITE THE NUMBERS 1-6 ONTO SCRAPS OF PAPER THEN PLUCK THEM OUT OF A HAT!

Start ➔

1

Careful! That's a Hooded Plover on the dunes you walked away... Well done! Move ahead 5 steps.

2

6

You walked along a marked beach path. Good on you. Move ahead 3 steps.

5



4 Oh no, stop!! Climbing on dunes causes damage. Go back to the Start.

3



7

Hey there! Dropping litter is not on!! Move back 3 spaces.

8



9

That fish you caught was too small. Thanks for returning it to the water. Move ahead 3 steps.

10

11

Oops! Don't put that plastic bag into the recycling bin. Wrong choice! Move back 1 space.

12

Woo hoo! You really care for the coast.

END

FANTASTIC! You visited a marine protected area... and all you left behind were footprints. Move ahead 1 space.

14

13

Beach paths have a sign marked with a letter & number.
Find the best way to the safe
patrolled swimming beach.

14W

START

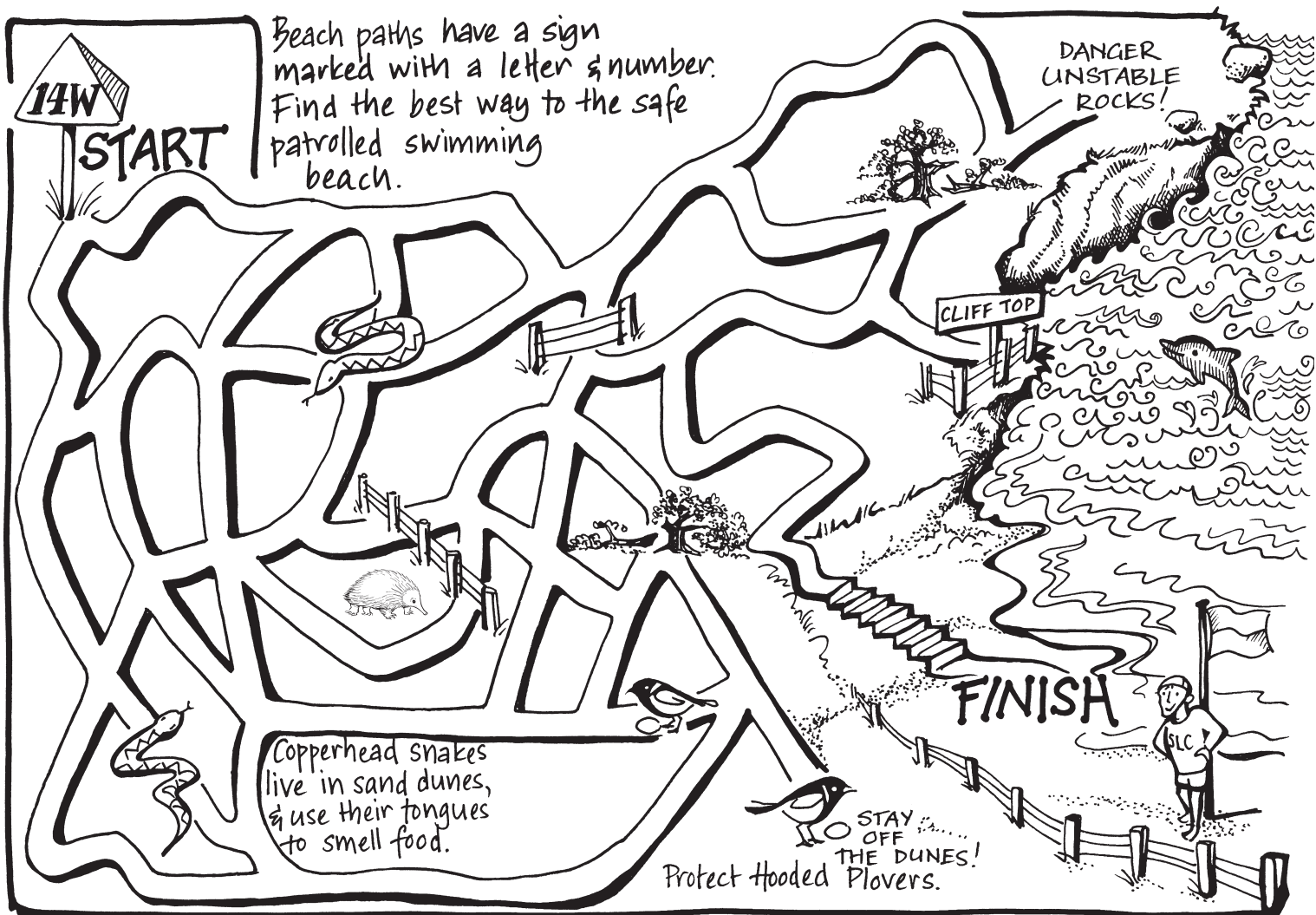
DANGER
UNSTABLE
ROCKS!

CLIFF TOP

FINISH

Copperhead snakes
live in sand dunes,
& use their tongues
to smell food.

STAY
OFF
THE DUNES!
Protect Hooded Plovers.



Find a Word

MARINE

FISH

DOLPHIN

FLAGS

COAST

ECHIDNA

PUFFER

ANT

PLASTIC

SEAL

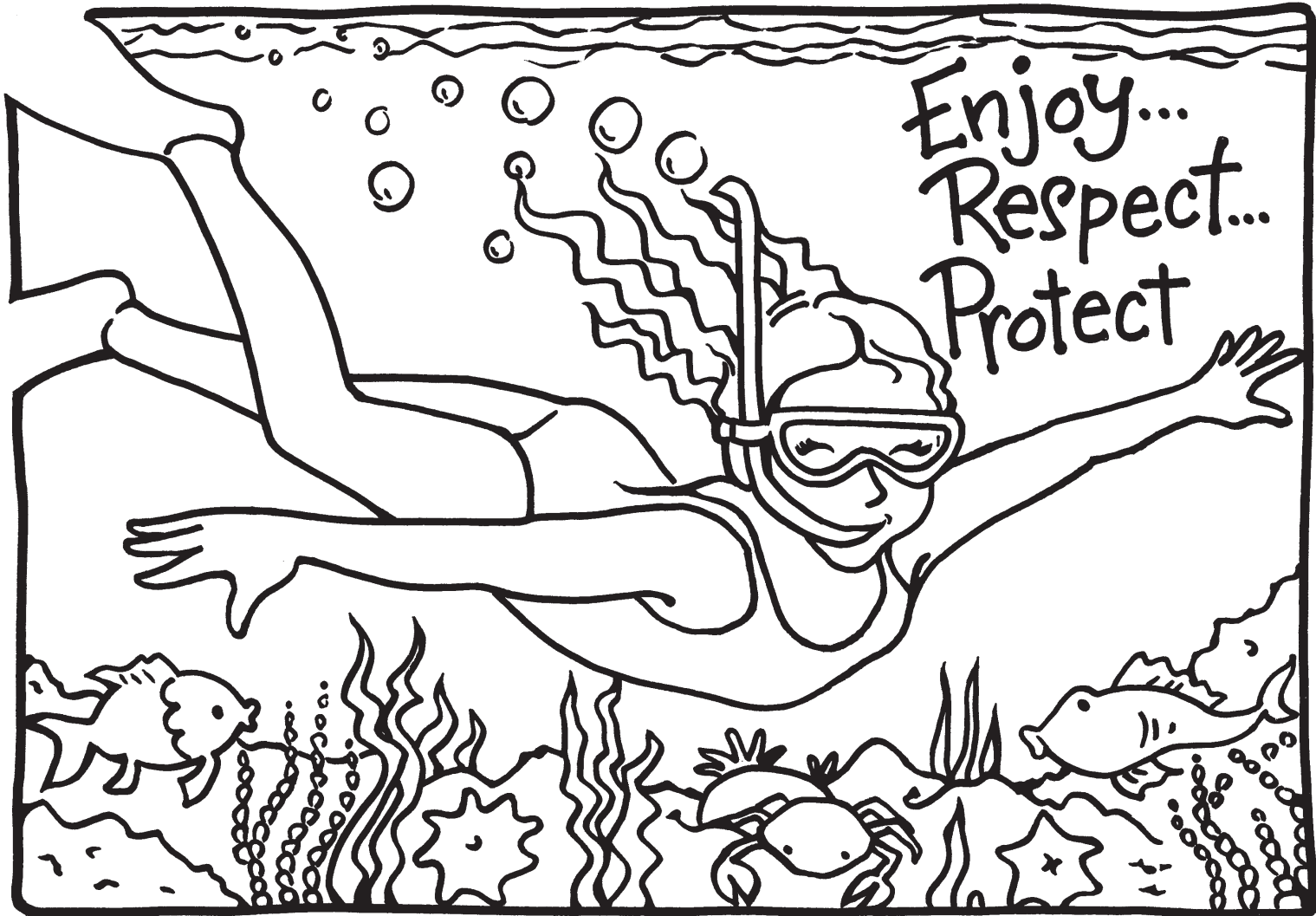
M	E	C	H	I	D	N	A
A	B	O	I	F	I	S	H
R	N	A	I	L	A	N	T
I	T	S	E	A	L	O	R
N	S	T	W	G	I	M	I
E	P	L	A	S	T	I	C
P	U	F	F	E	R	N	I
D	O	L	P	H	I	N	T

Use the leftover letters to
find the hidden message :

It's a great tip!



Enjoy...
Respect...
Protect

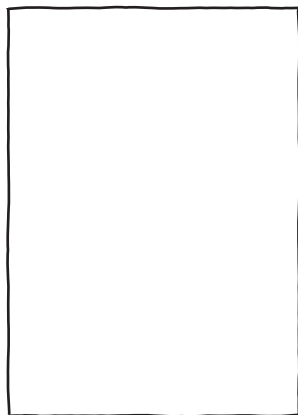
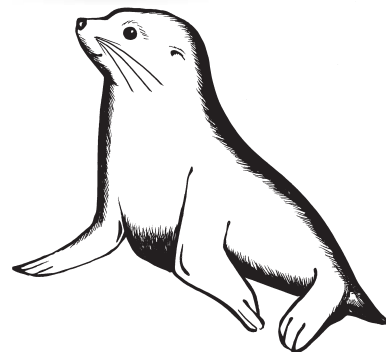


Beach Spotto!

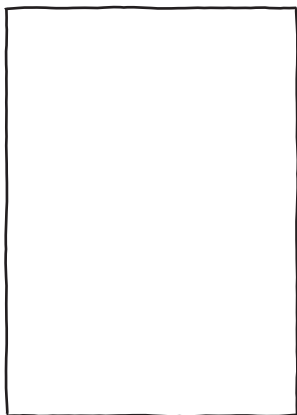
Draw something
in each rectangle that
you saw at the beach.

Remember...
when you visit the beach to
leave all shells, plants and
animals where you find them.

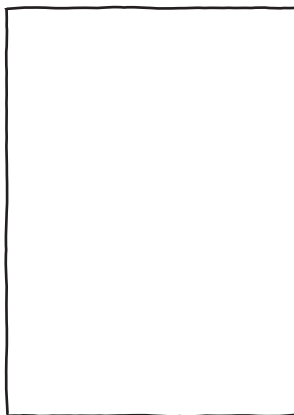
Take only photos;
leave only footprints.



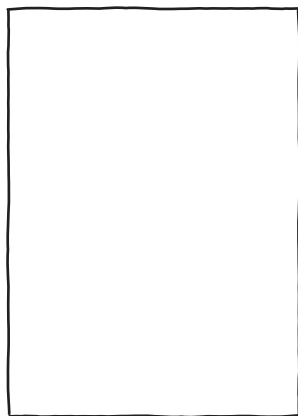
On the sand



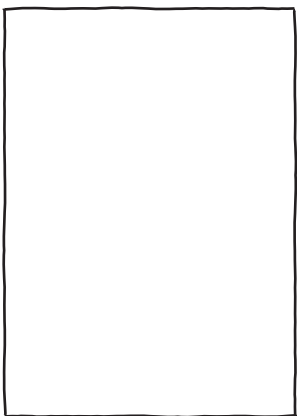
In the water



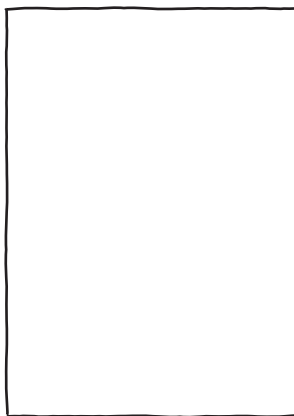
In the sky



In the distance



On a rock



In a tree

Be responsible
when you go fishing

Beaks
and baits
don't mix

Set me free,
I clean the sea

Who am I?

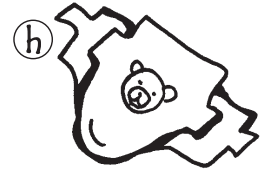
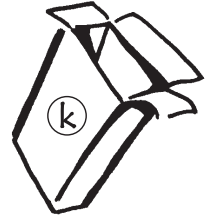
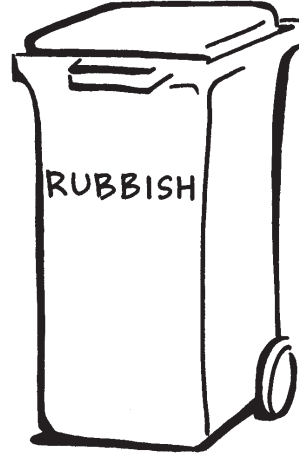
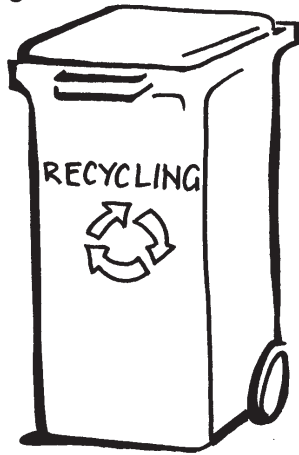
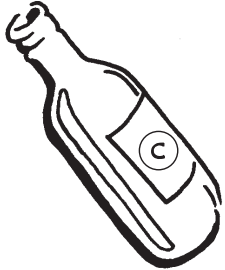
a) _____

Who am I?

b) _____

ANSWERS:
a) Pelican
b) Toadfish

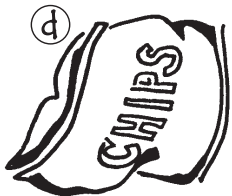
Which bin?



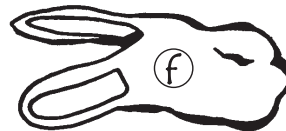
NEVER leave rubbish on the beach.

ALWAYS take it home, or put it in the bin.

Match the litter on this page to the correct bin - recycling or rubbish?



ANSWERS:
Into rubbish bin:
a, d, f, h & j
Into recycling bin:
b, c, e, g, i & k



Hooded Plover Rap

Plovers in da Hood

I'm a brover I'm a lover I'm a plover in da hood
Gotta teach all the people gotta preach to the people -
if ya dog's on da beach keep ya dogs on a leash
Gotta fight for our lives from da four-wheel drives
Put ya wings in the air like ya just do care
I'm a brover I'm a lover I'm a plover in da hood
and ya could, would, should keep tha plover in da hood!

Yo whassup bro
Gimme feather!



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Coastal kids only leave footprints behind!

