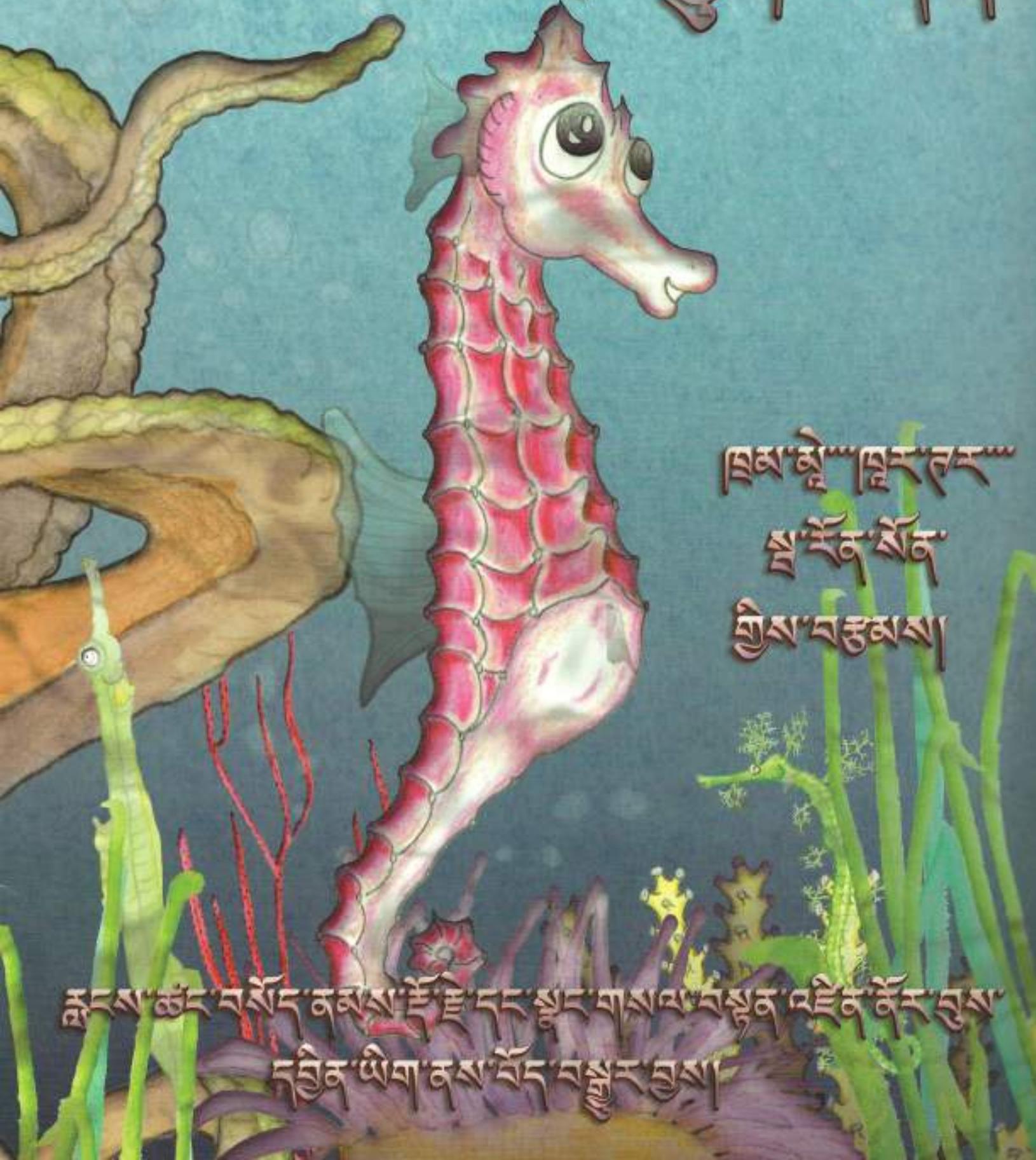


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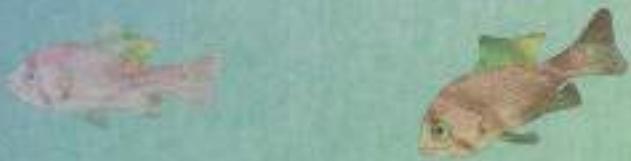
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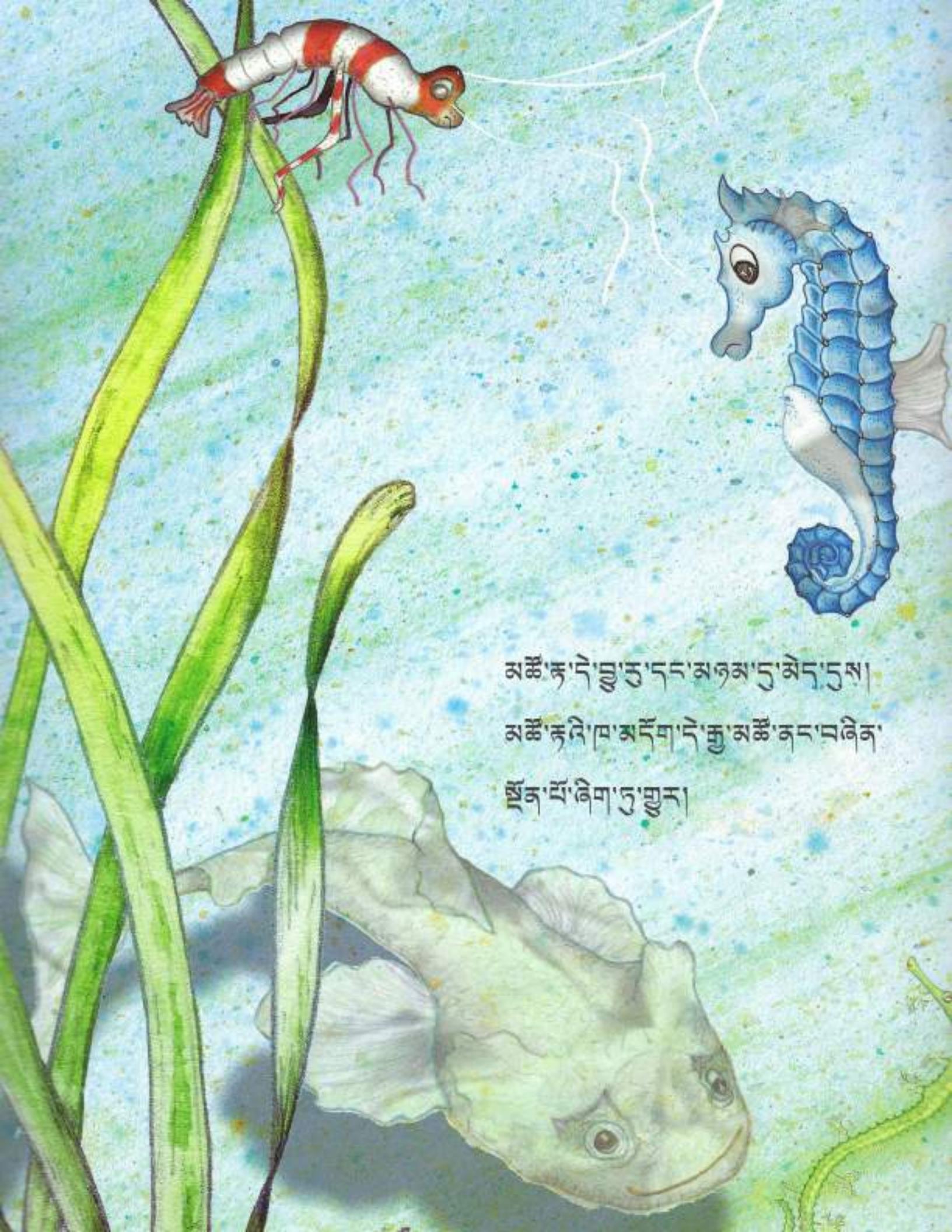


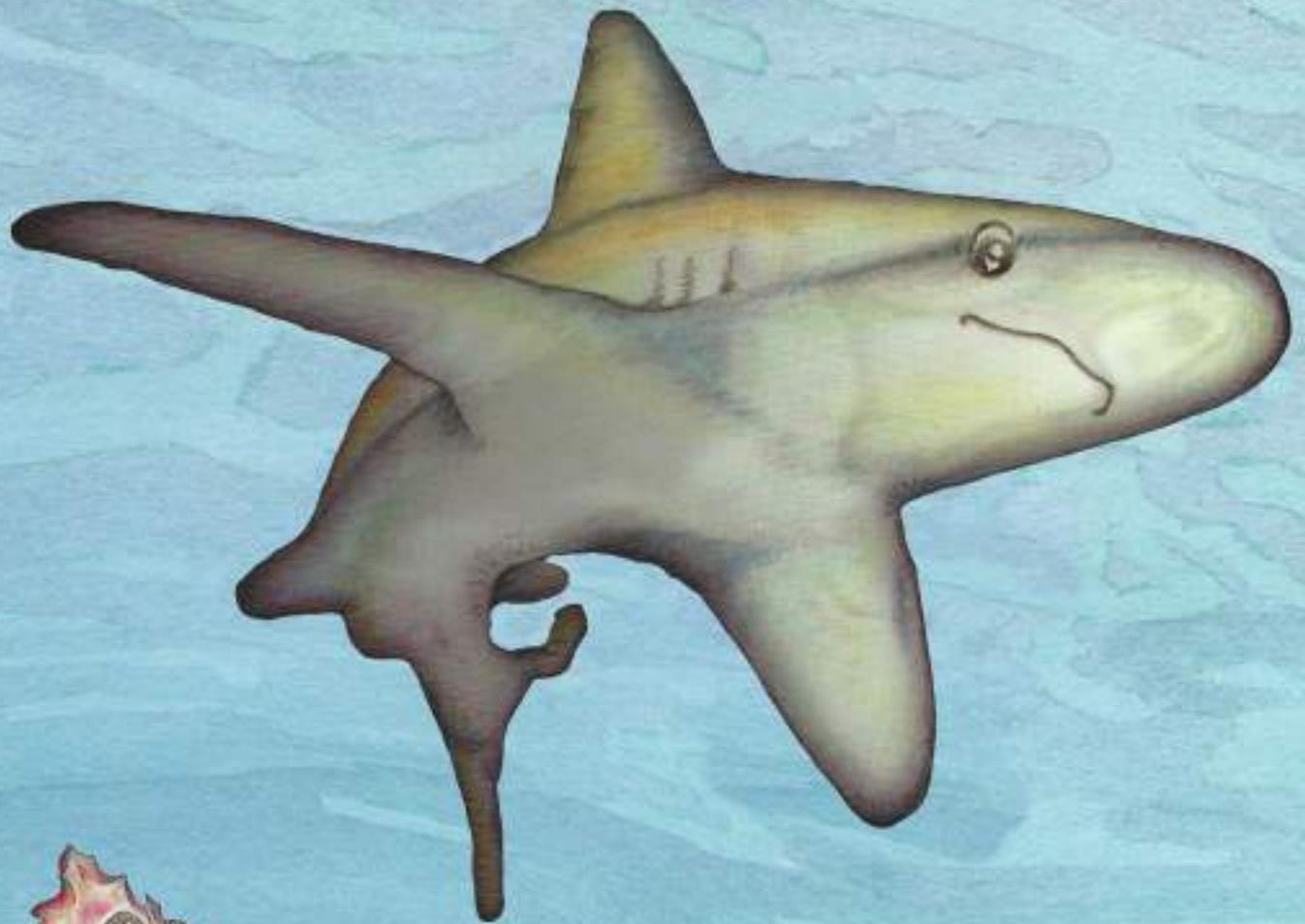
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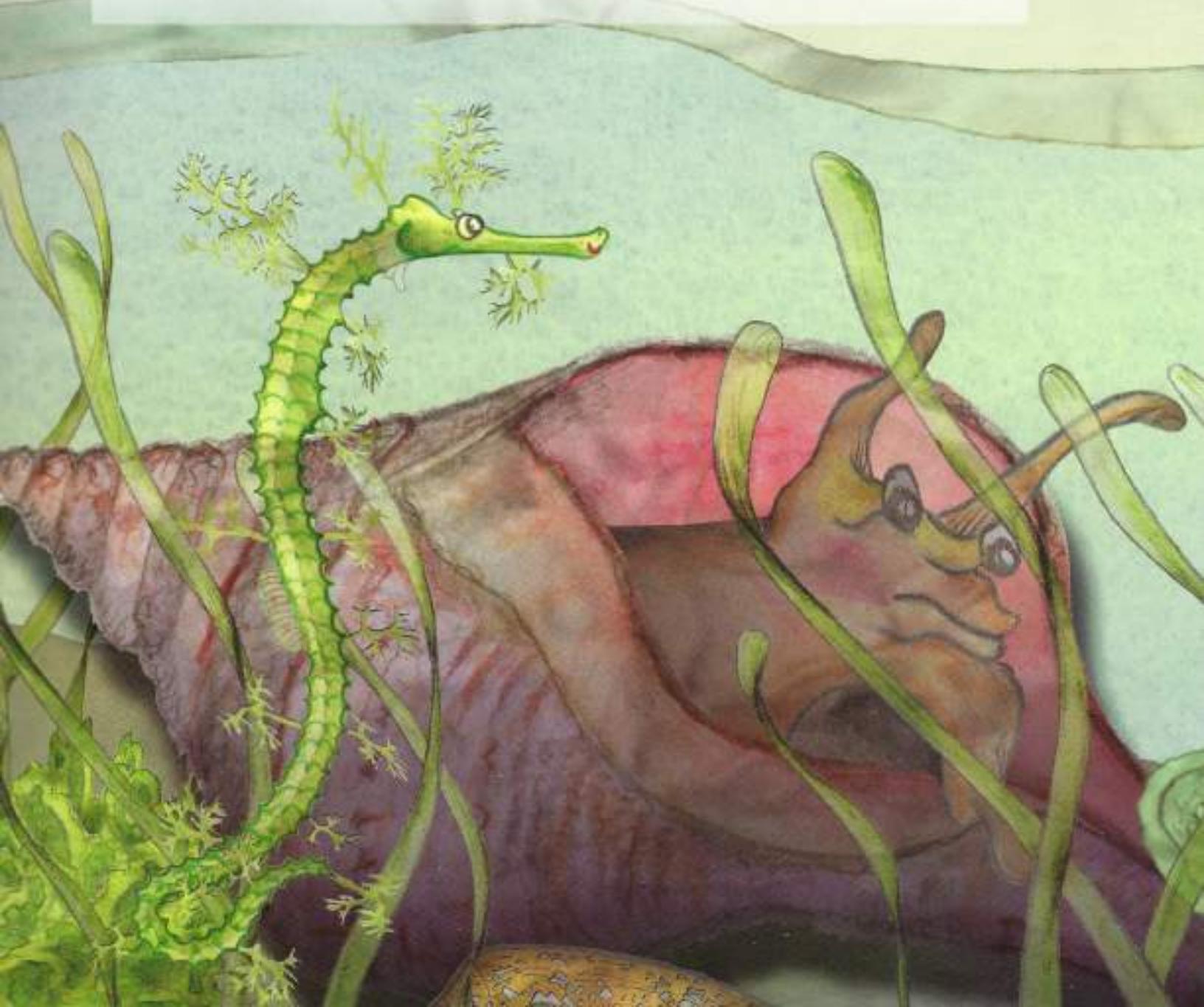
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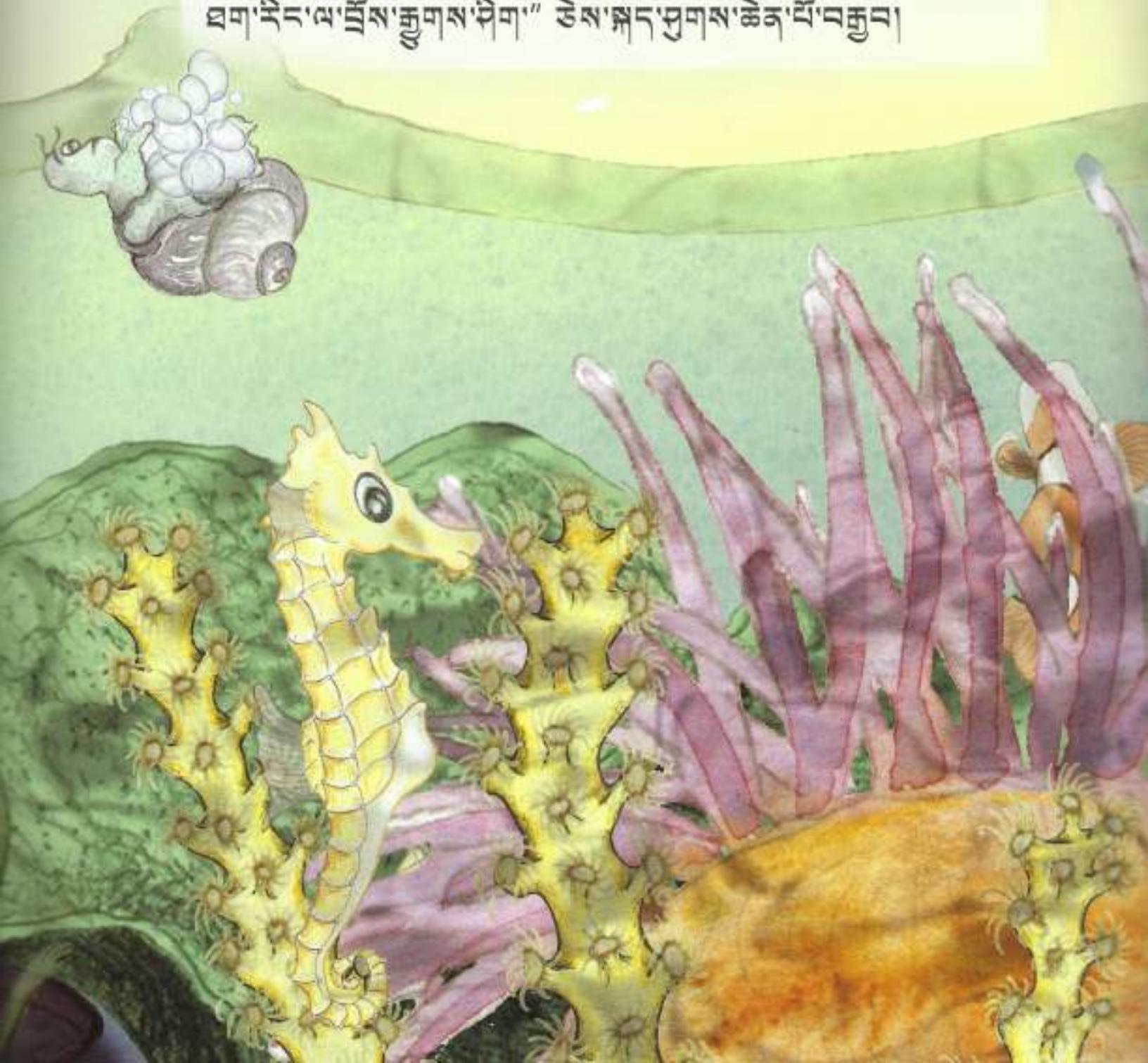






















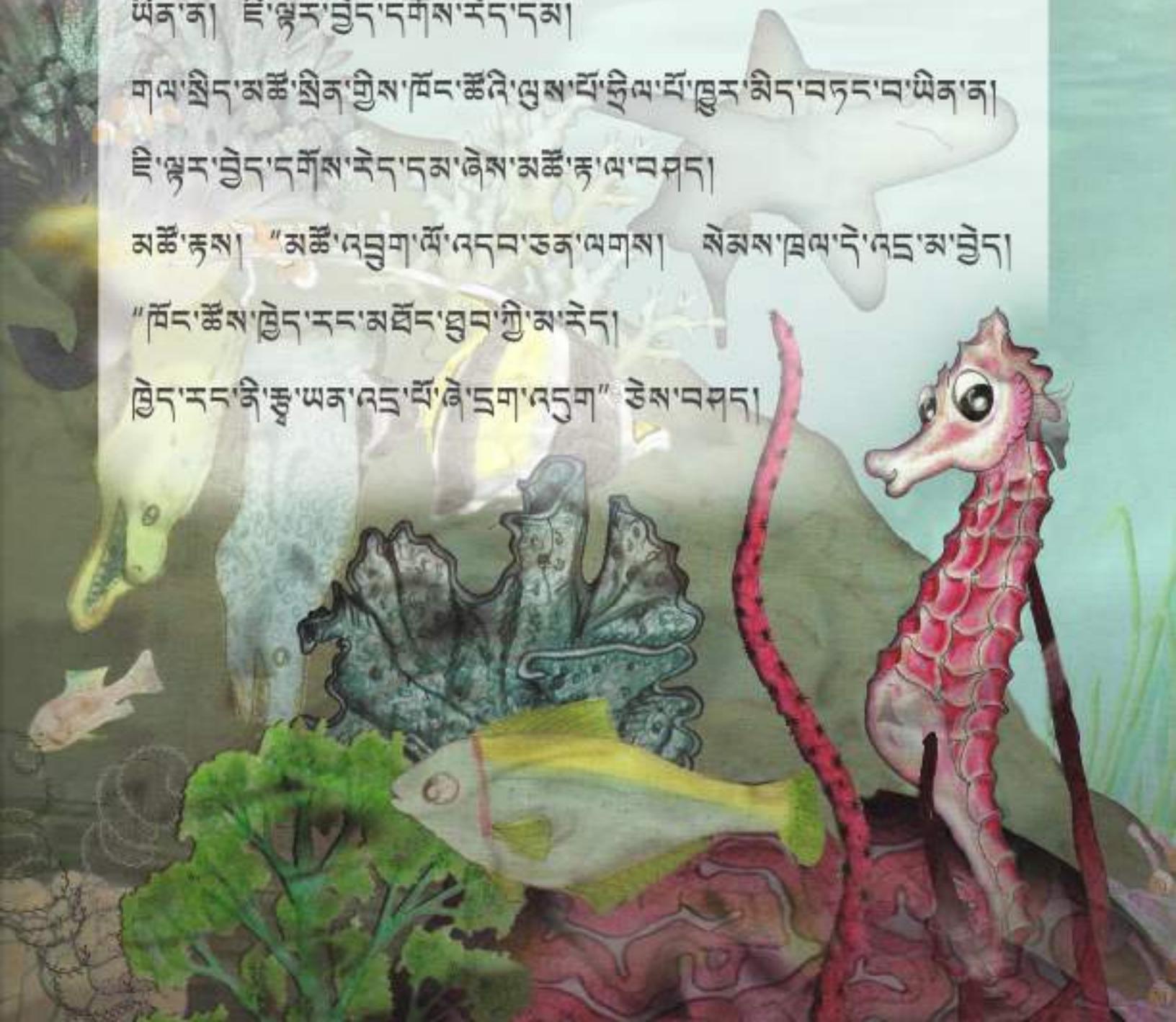












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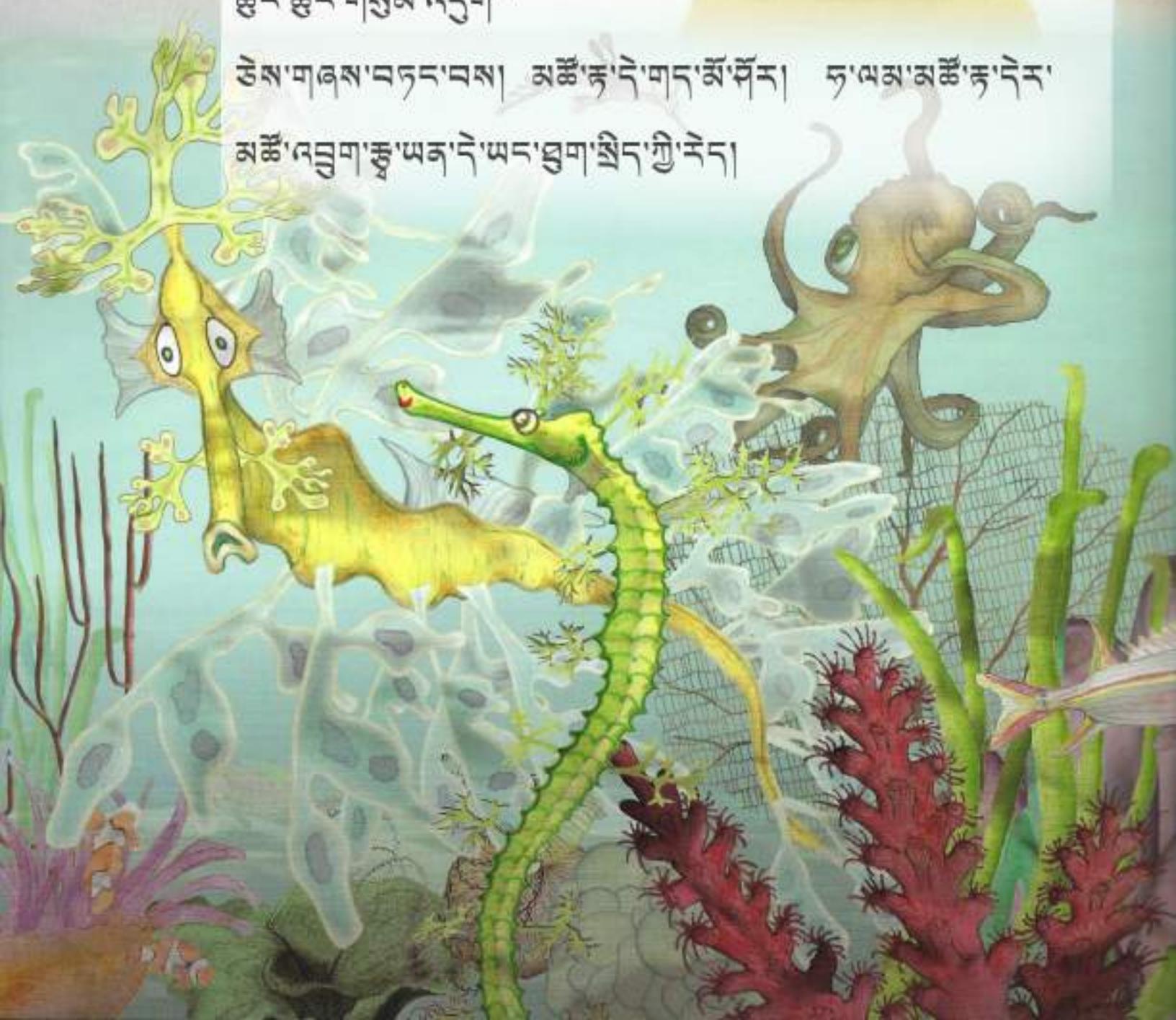
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# SEA HORSES

Sea horses are classified in the family **Syngnathidae** (pronounced sin-NATH-ih-dee). Every animal in this family is a fish. **Syngnathidae** is Greek for ‘fused jaws’ because the mouths of fish in this family do not open or close. About 330 species of **Syngnathidae** have been classified. Thirty-seven of these species are sea horses, three are sea dragons, and the rest are pipehorses or pipefishes.

## Where do sea horses live?

Most sea horses live in shallow ocean water near land. Sea horses may be found in estuaries, mangrove swamps, sea grass meadows, or reefs around the world.

## Why do sea horses hide?

Larger fish like tuna or red snapper eat sea horses. Sea turtles, sting rays, sharks and even penguins munch on sea horses, too. Sea horses hide from these predators by changing color to match their environment.

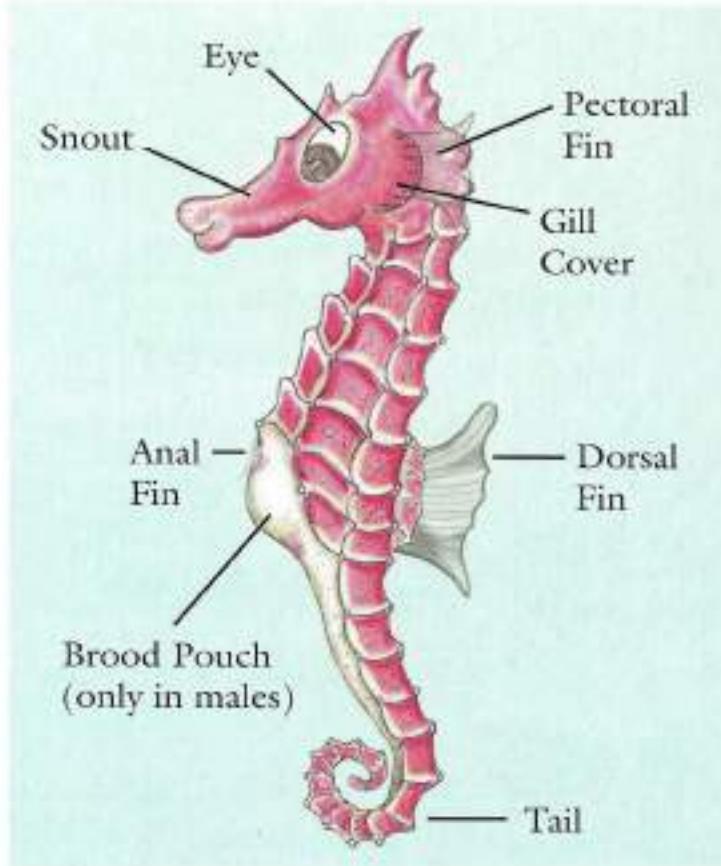
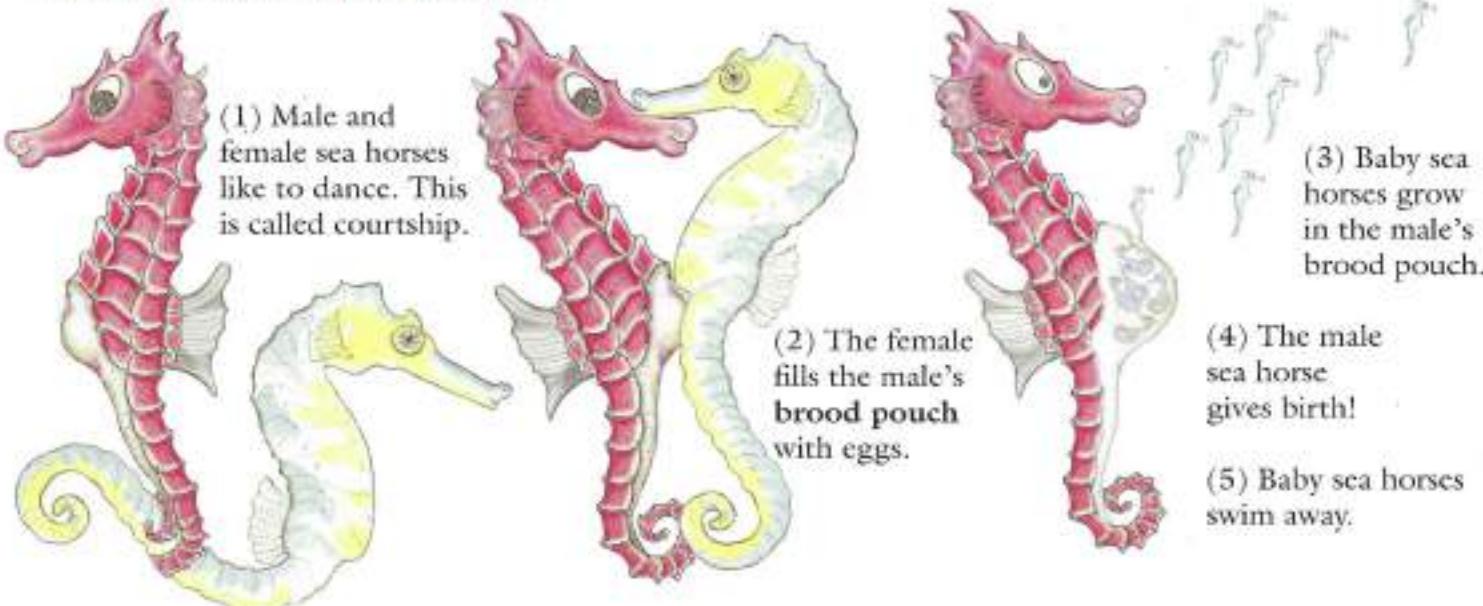
## How do sea horses move?

Sea horses move slowly by means of fins that beat as fast as 70 times per second! The **dorsal fin** propels the sea horse forwards. The two, small **pectoral fins** behind the gills allow the sea horse to hover or change direction.

## What do sea horses eat?

Sea horses do not have teeth, so they swallow their food whole. Sea horses suck food into their long, narrow **snout**, but the food must be tiny to fit through their mouth. Sea horses eat zooplankton, little shrimp, and the larvae of fish, crab, or worms. Sea horses do not have stomachs either. Without a stomach, sea horses cannot digest food well, so they have to eat large amounts in order to survive. Sea horses may eat for up to 10 hours per day, and they may swallow 50 to 300 tiny animals per hour!

## LIFE CYCLE OF A SEA HORSE



## What is the largest sea horse?

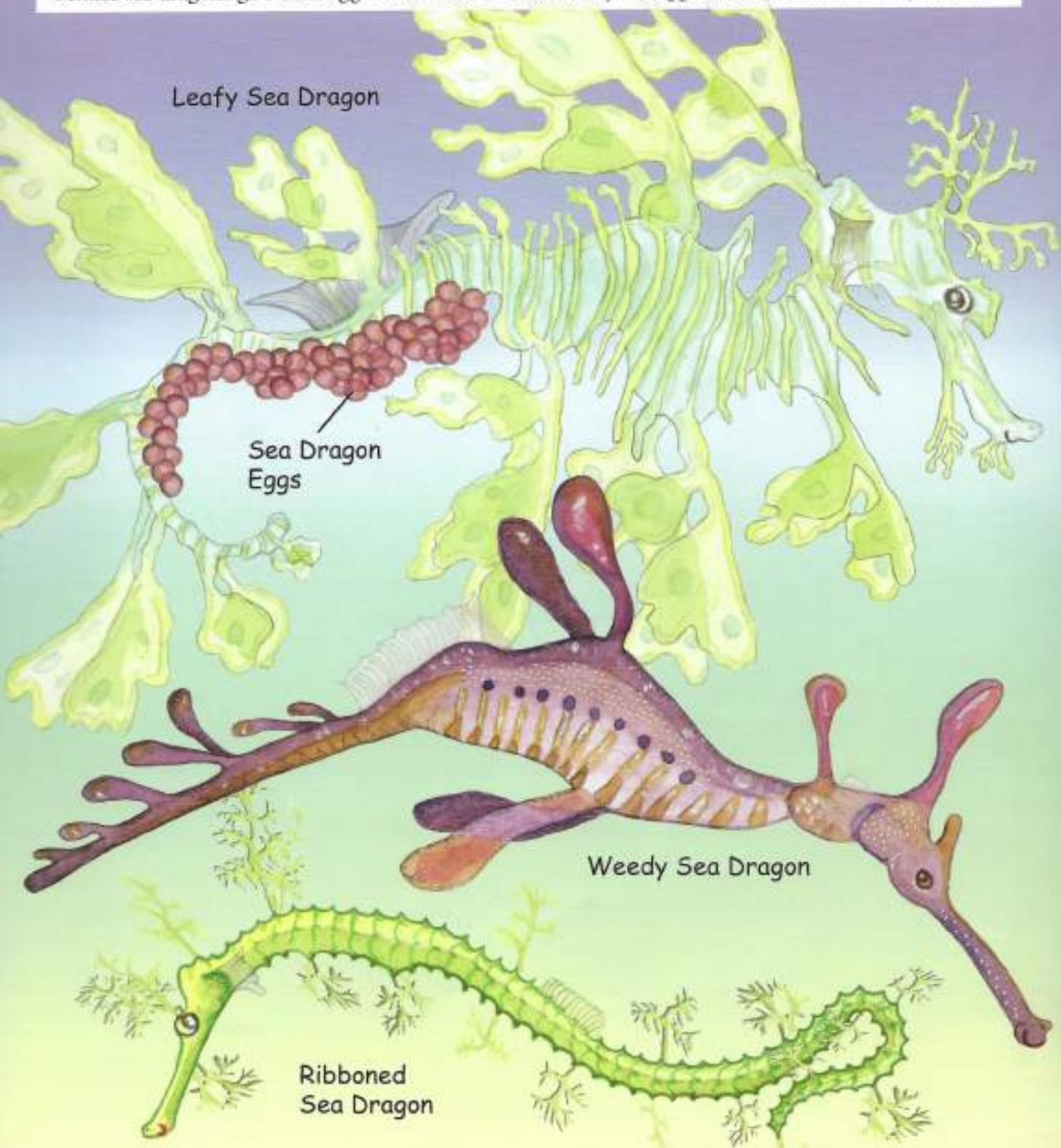
The Big-Bellied Sea Horse (*Hippocampus abdominalis*) is the largest species. These sea horses may reach fourteen inches in length which is two inches taller than this book!

## What is the smallest sea horse?

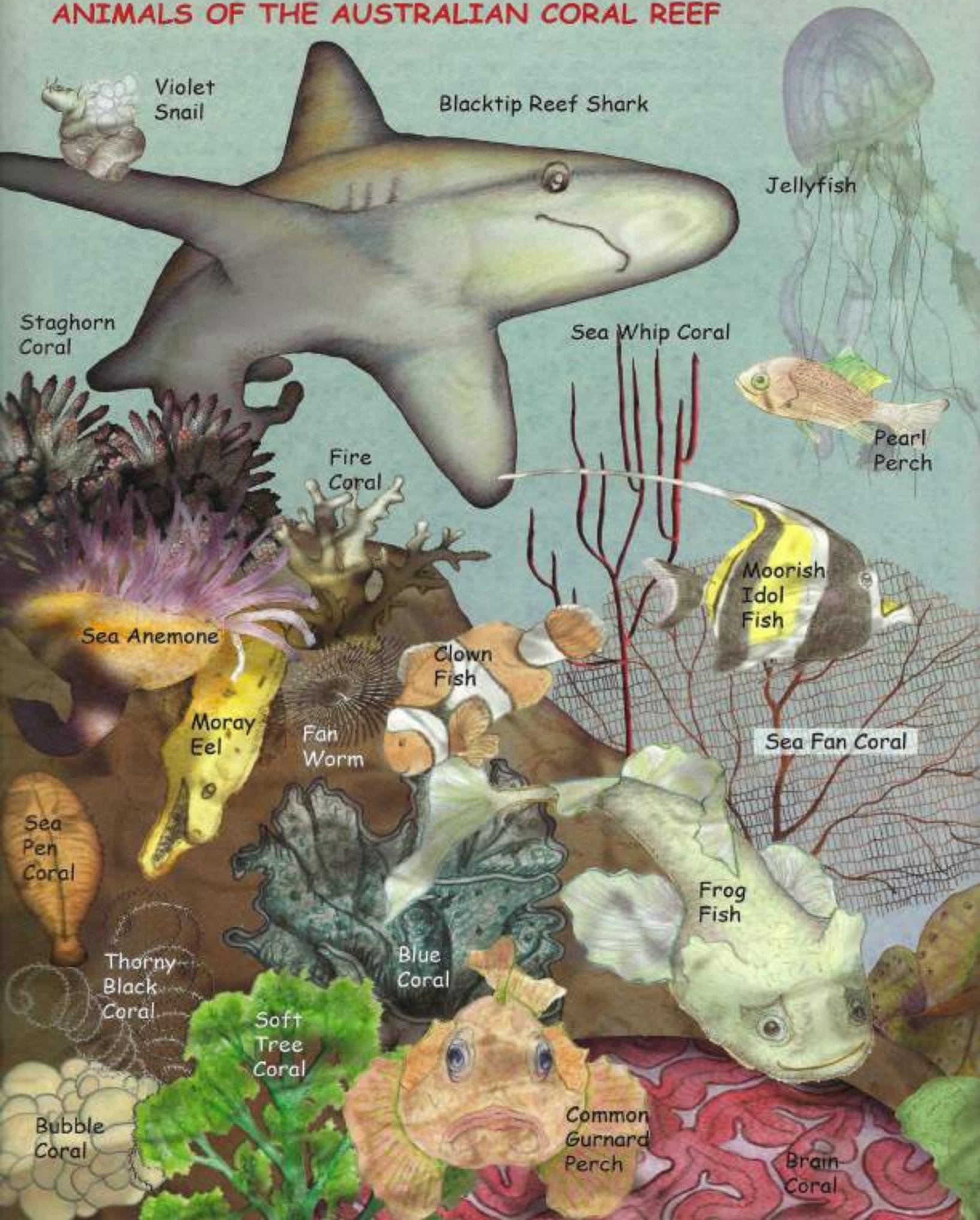
*Hippocampus denise* is a pygmy sea horse that measures about half an inch in length.

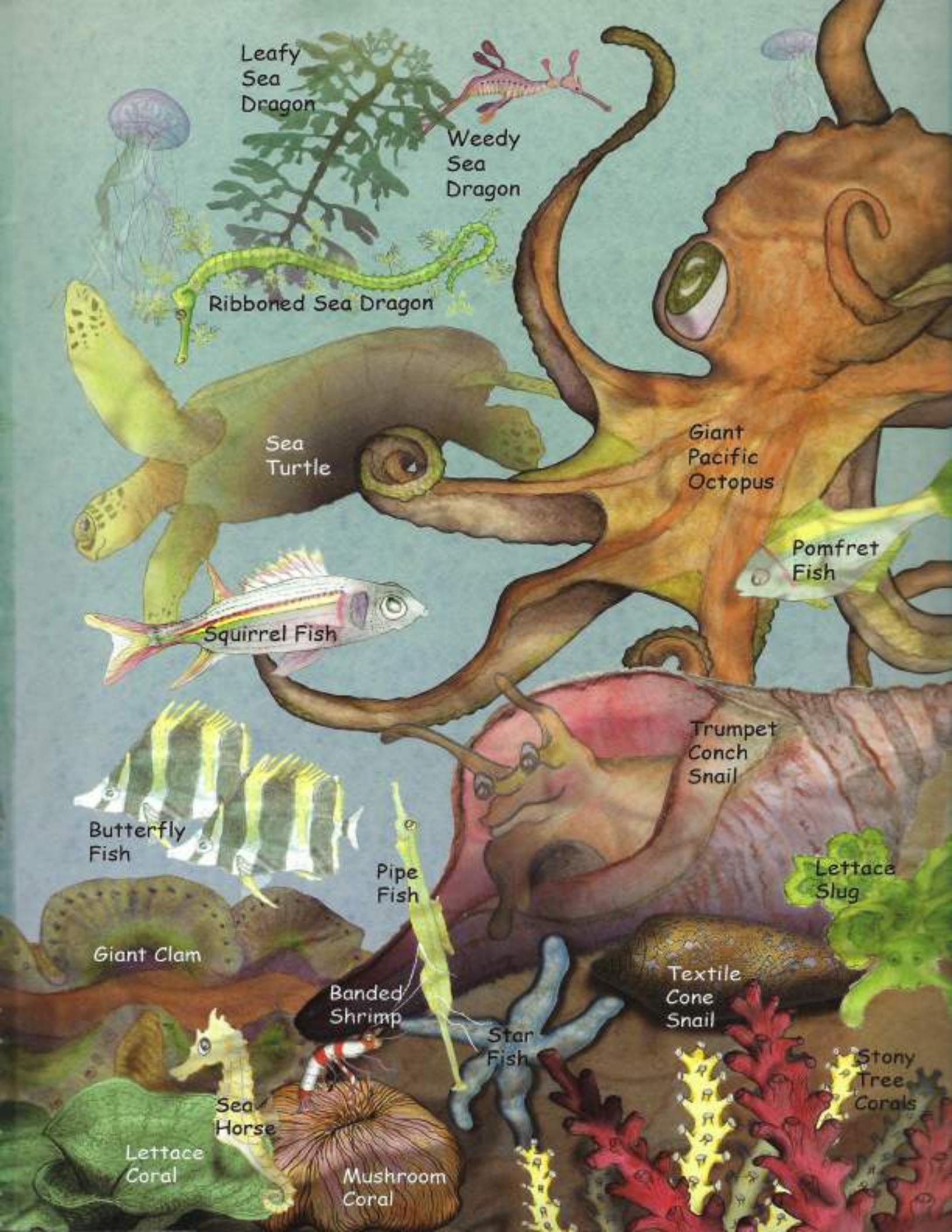
## SEA DRAGONS

Sea dragons are among the slowest fish in the ocean. Since they move at a snail's pace, sea dragons rely completely on camouflage to escape predators. Sea dragons have delicate branches of skin that mimic seaweed, and a healthy sea dragon may change color and blend with its surroundings. Leafy sea dragons live in kelp forests along the southern coast of Australia. Leafy sea dragons found in shallow water are yellow or green. In deep water 'leafies' turn red. The colors of ribboned sea dragons are similar to leafies, but they are found in waters northwest of Australia. Weedy sea dragons are easier to find along Australia's southern coast, but their color and leafy appendages vary depending on the environment. Female sea dragons give their eggs to the male who will carry the eggs under his tail until they hatch.



# ANIMALS OF THE AUSTRALIAN CORAL REEF



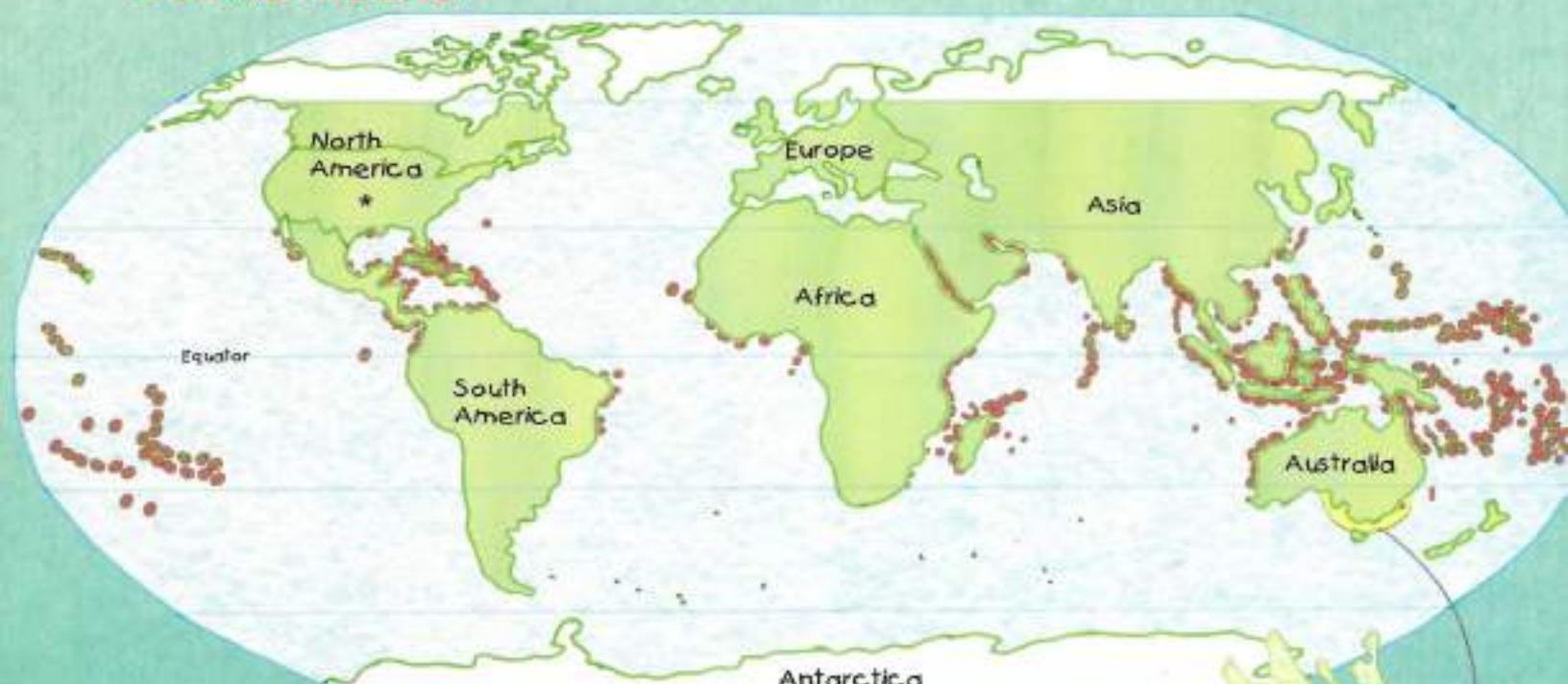


## CORAL

Why did Sea Horse's friend, Coral, sing in the story?

In the English language the words 'coral' (c-o-r-a-l) and 'choral' (c-h-o-r-a-l) share the same pronunciation. A coral (c-o-r-a-l) is a colony or group of many polyps. The word 'choral' (c-h-o-r-a-l) generally describes the music sung by a chorus or choir. Each coral on the reef has many polyps, so if a coral living on the reef could talk, it would have many voices speaking as one just like a chorus!

## CORAL REEFS



**Red dots** on the map mark the locations of coral reefs.

**Leafy Sea Dragons** live in the yellow zone along Australia's southern coast.



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