Life Science Stories

Fish

Fish are a kind of animal. Fish can be found in rivers, lakes, swamps, seas, and oceans. Fish always need water to live. Perch, sunfish, bluegill, salmon, trout, and tuna are some common fish.

Fish are vertebrates, so they have backbones. They have scales, just like reptiles. Like reptiles and amphibians, fish are cold-blooded. They get warm or cold depending on how hot or cold the water around them is.

Fish have special body parts to help them live in water. Fish have gills to breathe air from the water. They do not have hands and feet. Instead, they have lots of fins to help them swim. Many fish also have swim bladders so they do not sink.

Life Science Stories

NAME:

Fish

1. Fish have _____ to breathe air from the water.

(A) gills (B) fins (C) scales (D) eyes

2. Which of these is NOT a place you would find fish?

(A) swamps (B) lakes (C) trees (D) rivers

3. What kind of body covering do fish have?

(A) feathers (B) slime (C) scales (D) fur

4. DEFINITION: a body part that helps fish swim

(A) foot (B) wing (C) leg (D) fin

5. All fish need water to live.

(A) True (B) False

Life Science Stories

ANSWER KEY

Fish

1. They have _____ to help them get air from the water.

● gills Ⓑ fins Ⓒ scales Ⓓ eyes

2. Which of these is NOT a place you would find fish?

Ⓐ swamps Ⓑ lakes ● trees Ⓓ rivers

3. What kind of body covering do fish have?

Ⓐ feathers Ⓑ slime ● scales Ⓓ fur

4. DEFINITION: a body part that helps fish swim

Ⓐ foot Ⓑ wing Ⓒ leg ● fin

5. All fish need water to live.

● True Ⓑ False