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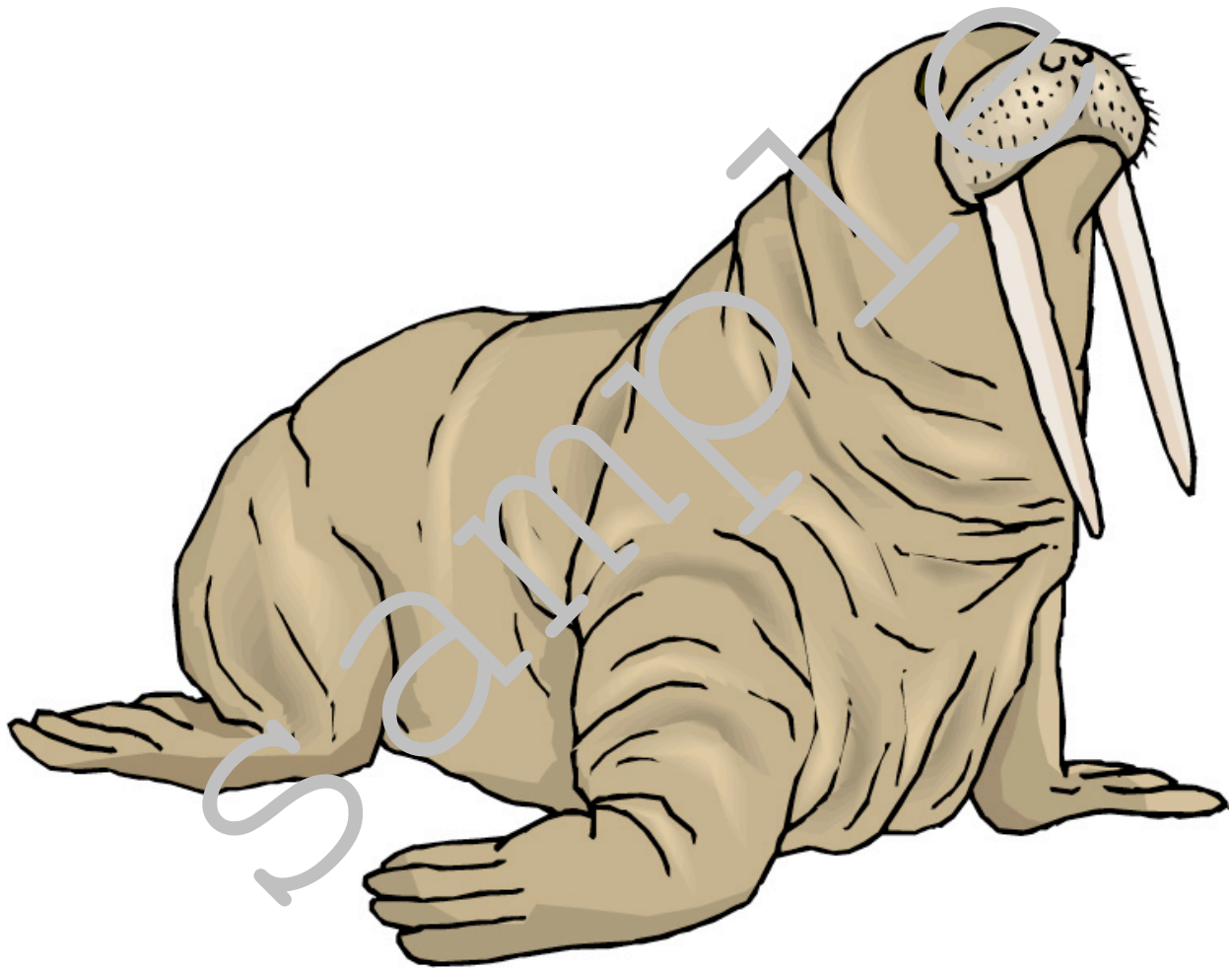
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Furry Sea Animals



Seals, walruses and sea lions have fur. They are called **pinnipeds** which comes from Latin and means “winged feet.” Fur seals live in the cold water of the northern Pacific Ocean.

The **Northern Fur Seal** has two layers of fur. One layer is thick and short, called “guard hair.” Under that they have waterproof “under fur” which is very thick. The Northern Fur Seal lives in the water most of the time. It can stay out in the sea for over six months at a time. Even though it swims underwater, it has to come up to breathe.



Sea lions are very social. There are some places near the shore where they gather in large, noisy groups to rest and give birth to their **pups**. The pups learn to swim when they are about a month old.

Read the questions below. You might need to look up some information in books or on the Internet.
Write your answers on the lines in complete sentences.

1. What are pinnipeds? _____

2. Where are northern seals found? _____

3. What is a sea lion? _____

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SEA ANIMALS WITH LEGS AND SHELLS

Besides their 10 legs, lobsters have hard shells covering their bodies. Shrimp also have 10 legs, but they don't have any claws. The shrimp live on the ocean bottom and swim backwards using their tails.



Crabs also have 10 legs. A crab has a crusty shell and claws at the ends of two of its legs. Crabs can walk forward and backward as well as sideways. These are very curious creatures to watch at the ocean.

Hermit crabs live in shells left by other animals. The hermit isn't a "true" crab because of this. As it gets bigger it has to move on to find a bigger shell to live in. Hermit crabs are **crustaceans** and there are several hundred species of hermits. Some live on the land.



Barnacles are quite odd. They attach themselves to rocks and other animals. Boats always have barnacles covering their sides and bottoms. They just find somewhere to attach themselves and stay there. During its life the barnacle's shell grows around it. Barnacles get food by putting their feet out and kicking food into their mouths.

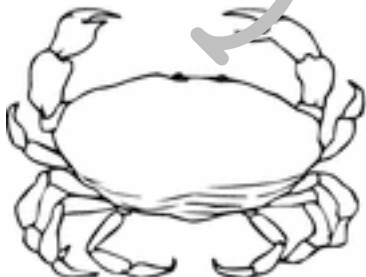
Oysters as you know have two shells. It is common for oysters to grow together in big clumps. They, like barnacles, attach themselves to things at the bottom of the sea. They eat tiny animals and plants in the water. Oysters lay eggs, millions of eggs. They don't live very long because they are very vulnerable. People love oysters and they are considered quite a delicacy by many.



CRAB

Color the crab and oyster below.

OYSTER





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CRISS CROSS

Can you fit these words into the criss cross?
Use a pencil so you can erase if you need to.

mollusk
sea

clam
shell

oyster
seal

whale
conch

