

Crabs

Topic: Animals

Curriculum link: Science Text type: Report Reading level: 16 Word count: 232

Vocabulary: crabs, animals, seashore, food, enemies, rock pools, low tide, coral reefs, mud, seaweed, nippers, mouths, shell, hermit crab, sideways, backwards,

flippers

Possible literacy focus:

Using features of a non-fiction text to support understanding.

Drawing inferences about the needs of all crabs.

Summary:

This book provides information about where crabs live, how they move and eat, what they look like and how they protect themselves.

Task card

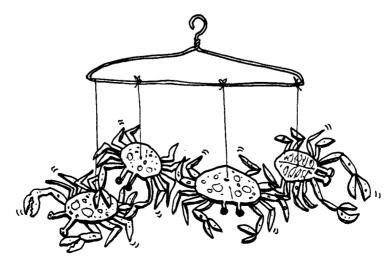
Crab mobile

You will need:



coathanger, cardboard, scissors, pencils, coloured pencils, sticky tape, string

- 1. Cut out the shape of a crab in cardboard.
- 2. Write a fact about crabs on the shape.
- 3. Cut out more crab shapes and write more facts.
- 4. Hang these from the coathanger.
- 5. Display your mobile in the classroom.



Name

Make a glossary

Write a definition for each of these words.

Glossary	
Word	Definition
coral reef	
enemies	
flippers	
low tide	
nippers	
rockpool	

Instructions Ask children to work in pairs to write their definitions. Tell them that a glossary is a list, in alphabetical order, found at the end of some books and that it explains what words mean.



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Write about crabs to make a mini book.

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\$ · · · ·	Where crabs live
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<b>€</b>	How crabs protect themselves

**Instructions** Ask children to number and cut out the pages when they have finished. Staple to make a mini book.