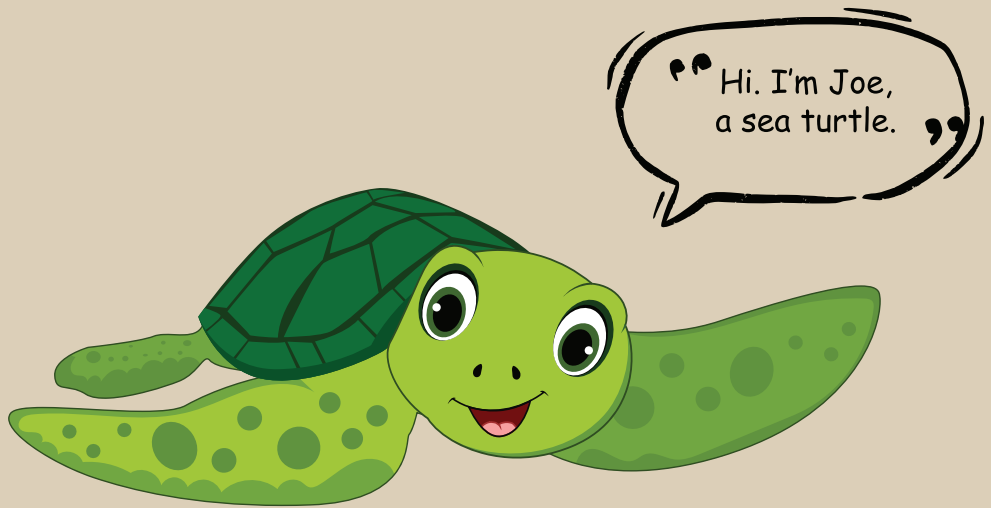


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SEA TURTLE





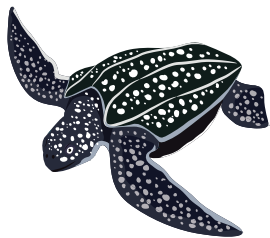
We belong to the superfamily Cheloniodea, also called marine turtles. We are reptiles of the order Testudines. Depending on our shell, we can be separated into two categories; the hard-shelled (Cheloniidae) and Leathery-shelled (Dermochelyidea).

You can find us in the continental shelves of all oceans except near Polar Regions. However, my brothers, the Flatback sea turtle can be found only on **Australia's northern coast** and the Kemp's Ridley in the **Gulf of Mexico** and along the **East Coast of the United States**.

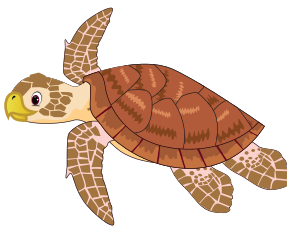


■ Flatback sea turtle ■ Kemp's Ridley

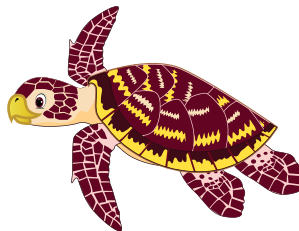
We are Seven!!!



Leather Back Turtle



Green Turtle



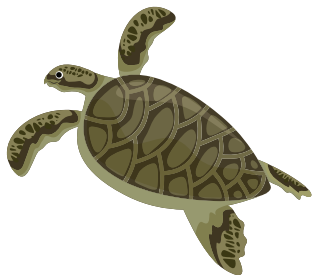
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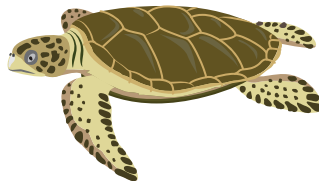
Loggerhead sea turtle



Kemp's ridley



Olive ridley sea turtle

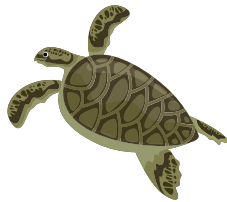


Flatback sea turtle

The Olive Ridleys are the smallest and
Leatherbacks are the largest in our family.

Olive Ridleys

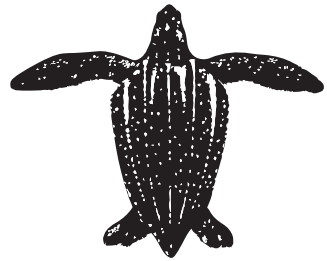
Heighs about
50 to 75 Cms
20 to 30 inches



Weighs about 33 to 50Kgs.
72 to 110lbs

Heighs about
1.2 to 1.8m
4 to 6 feet

LeatherBack



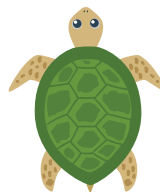
Weighs about 200 to 900Kgs.
440 to almost 2,000lbs

We have large upper eyelids
that protect our eyes. We do
not have an external ear opening
and we don't have teeth.

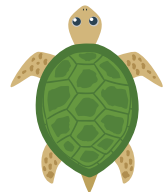


Adult males have
longer, thicker tails
than females.

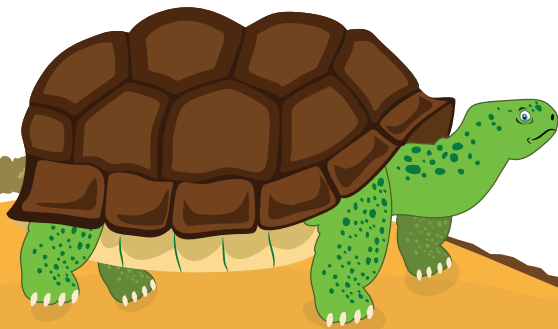
Female



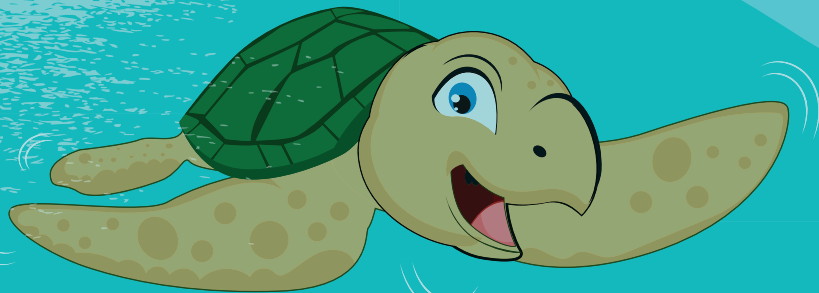
Male



“ Hi.. I'm Tortoise.
We live the
majority of our
lives on land. ”



“ Hi.. I'm
Turtle. We live
the majority of
our lives in
Water. ”



We are foodies! The loggerhead, Kemp's Ridley, Olive Ridley, and Hawksbill sea turtles are omnivorous.. ! Major food items include decapods, sea-grasses, seaweed, sponges, and mollusks such as squids, cnidarians such as jellyfish, echinoderms such as starfish; worms and fish.



“ I can hold my
breath for more
than 5 hours. ”





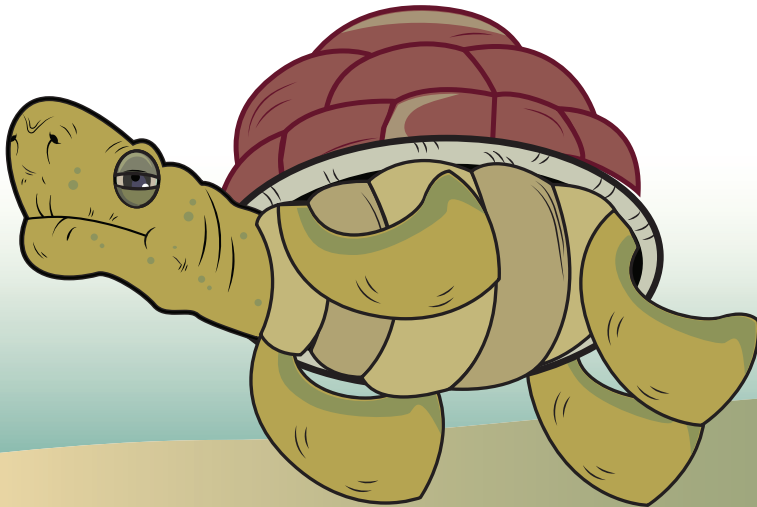
When we are active, must swim to the ocean surface to breathe every few minutes. When they are resting, they can remain underwater for as long as 2 hours without breathing.



We lay eggs that are round in shape on beach sand. Female sea turtles lay about 150 eggs at a time and these eggs resemble tiny balls.

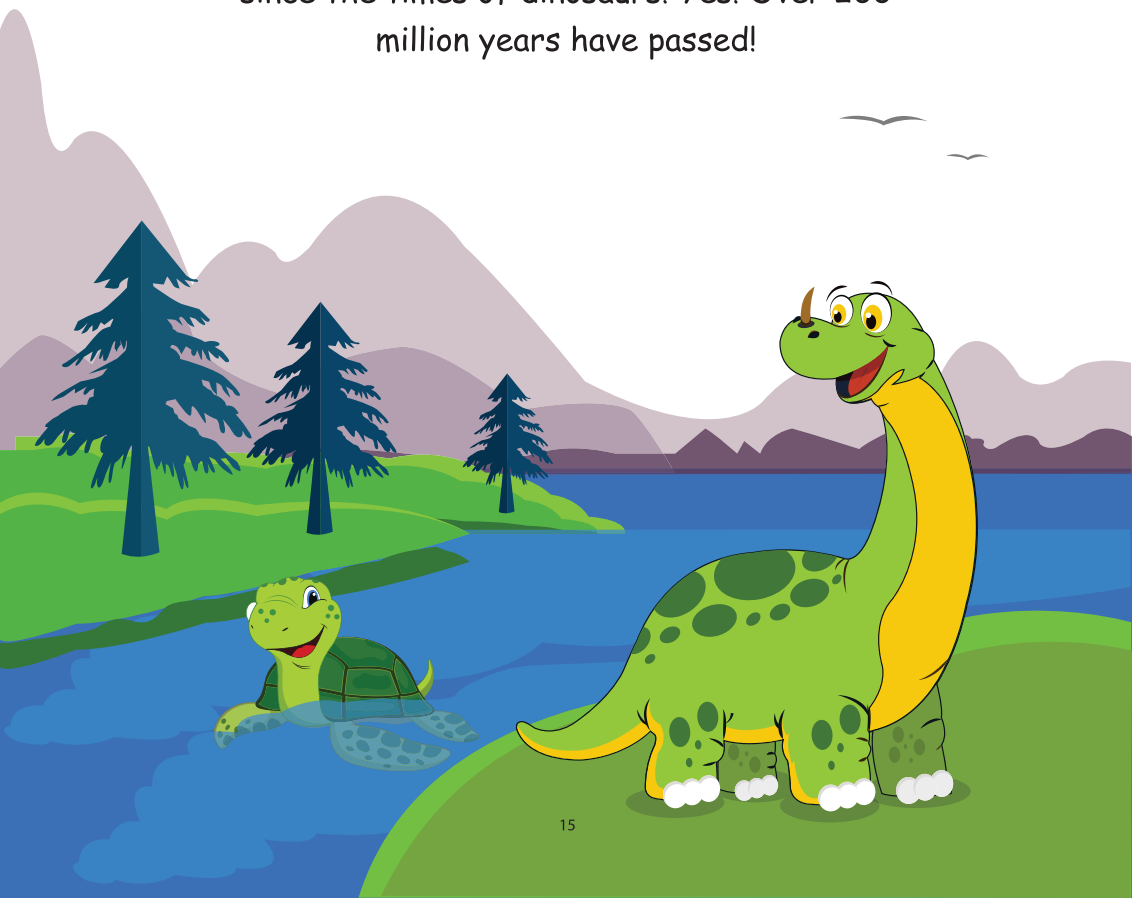


We live long, up to 50 years or more and have a similar lifespan to humans! The most consistent estimate says that our average age is about 80 years. those that think we lives 150 years are thinking of land-turtle, not sea-turtles.

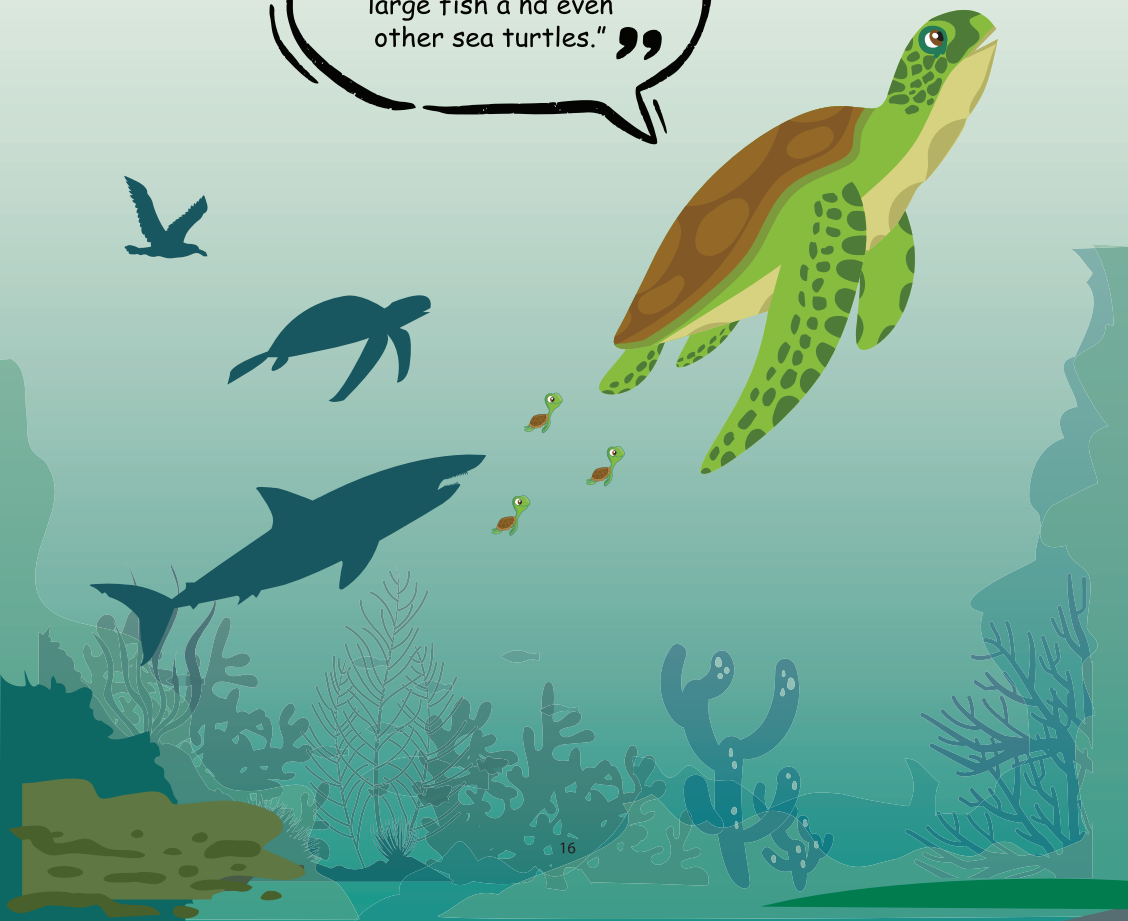




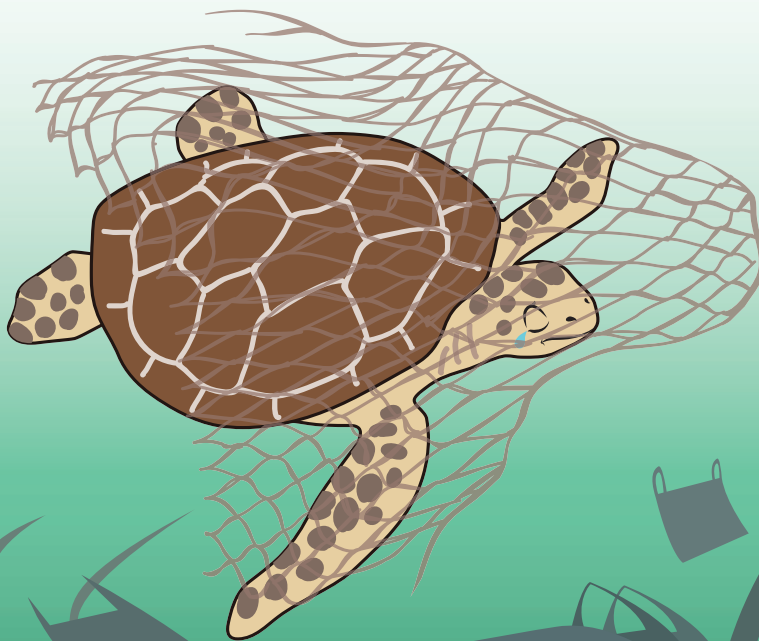
We are among the oldest reptiles and are here
since the times of dinosaurs! Yes! Over 200
million years have passed!



“our babies are
susceptible to seabirds,
large fish and even
other sea turtles.”



Sometimes we are caught in a net during fishing. You know that we need oxygen for survival, for that, we have to surface. If caught in a net, we can't come to surface and therefore, drown.



Other major threats include Light pollution from beach development, Oil pollution, marine debris and climatic changes. I will tell you in detail about them later. Untill then, please don't pollute the water and beaches so that we can live happily here.



Please use nature and its every resource wisely so that they will be available to your future generations and ours. By doing so, you ensure a good life and future not only for us but for yourselves too...



The Sea Turtle Quiz

Q 1 : Sea turtles are not seen in this region:

- (a) Africa
- (b) Asia
- (c) Antarctica

Q 2 : Where can we find the Flatback sea turtle?

- (a) India
- (b) Russia
- (c) Australia

Q 3 : How many teeth do sea turtles have?

- (a) 11
- (b) None
- (c) 16

Q 4 : How many eggs do sea turtles lay at a time?

- (a) 150
- (b) 250
- (c) 100

Q 5 : How long have the sea turtles existed on the planet:

- (a) 200 million years
- (b) 500 million years
- (c) 100 million years

Q 6 : Which species of sea turtle is the smallest?

- (a) FlatBack
- (b) Hawks Bill
- (c) Olive Ridley

Q 7 : Which species of sea turtle is the largest?

- (a) Green Sea Turtle
- (b) Leatherback
- (c) Hawks Bill

Q 8 : What is the average lifespan of sea turtle?

- (a) 150 Years
- (b) 50 Years
- (c) 80 Years

Answers: 1 (c) 2 (c) 3 (b) 4 (a) 5 (a) 6 (c) 7 (b) 8 (b)

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