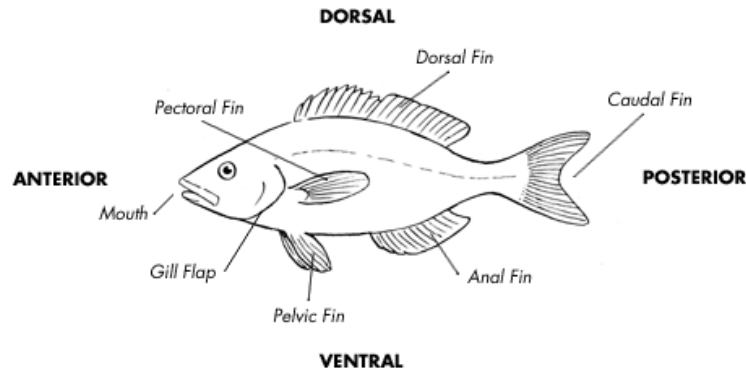


Aquarium Investigation

Objective: Observe captive fish and aquatic animals that are no longer in their natural habitats, make careful observations and report on some important facts.



Procedure: First walk among the captured creatures in one or more of the pet stores. (You will have several options listed on the next page) In a few sentences, on a separate piece of paper, describe your feelings once you have had an opportunity to browse around and look at several animals and tanks on display.

Next select three aquatic animals that you would like to learn a lot about and to care for in the Marine Science classroom. Ask the shop's employees questions **you cannot answer yourself**. (*Note that a good aquarium shop will have employees that are familiar with this information) Answer the following questions for each of the three animals you select, on the same separate sheet of paper as above.

1. What is its common name?
2. How much does it cost?
3. Describe what it looks like. (A diagram is best)
4. Indicate if it is SALTWATER, BRACKISH water, or a FRESHWATER animal.
5. Where in the world does it come from?
6. What is its preferred food?
7. Can the shopkeeper help you tell the difference between a male and female?
8. Does it lay eggs or have live births?
9. How can you tell if it is healthy?
10. What other animals would NOT be a good tank-mate?
11. Does it require any special care?
12. Does it do anything unusual in nature?
13. Approximately how long does it live?
14. What size tank does it need?

NOTE: This is a report in which both presentation and content are important!

POSSIBLE AQUARIUM STORES (MARINE SCIENCE '14 – '15)

1. **FISHTOWN USA***
196-33 Northern Blvd
Flushing, NY 11358
Phone: (718) 539-5396

2. **PetBarn**
212 Franklin Ave
Franklin Square, NY
Phone: (516) 775-8183

3. **Petland Discounts**
477 Great Neck Rd
Great Neck, NY
Phone: (516) 773-8533

4. **PETCO**
2300 Jericho Turnpike
Garden City Park, NY 11040
(516) 739-0031

5. **Pet Warehouse**
177 Glen Cove Rd.
Carle Place, NY 11514
Phone: (516) 294-9699

6. **Aquarium Village****
473 Old Country Rd
Westbury, NY
(516) 333-0682

*Note that this store is from which we purchase all our supplies, equipment, and fish.

**Note that this store was opened and is managed by an alumnus of the Great Neck South Marine Science program.