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## FISH

Fish are another kind of animal. Fish are not like mammals. They are not like birds. Fish live in water. Most of them hatch out of eggs. They have scales on their bodies. They have gills and fins. They have a tail, eyes, and a mouth.

The scales are small shapes on their bodies. They look like pieces of paper cut into small shapes. The scales help to keep the fish safe. They give them protection.

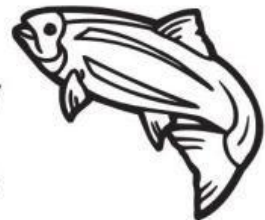
Fish have gills on the sides of their bodies. These gills look like small slits. These small slits open and close. They help the fish to breathe in the water.

The fins help the fish move around in the water. They help it stay afloat in the water.

The tail moves to help the fish move fast or slowly. It makes it easy to move from place to place.

Eyes help them to see where they are going, and the mouth opens to eat smaller fish or algae.

Fish are fun to watch. They are always moving and always on the go!



### STORY QUESTIONS

1. Where do all fish live?
  - a. in a school
  - b. in the sink
  - c. in a bowl
  - d. in water
2. A **gill** is a small slit on the side of a fish. What does it do?
  - a. helps the fish breathe
  - b. makes the fish look nice
  - c. tells the fish to go up or go down
3. The author wanted you to learn about . . .
  - a. animals that are mammals.
  - b. animals that are fish.
  - c. animals that are insects.
  - d. animals that are birds.