

English Year 5

Week 6 (17th February 2022)

Lesson Objectives:

- Answer simple comprehension about Hawksbill Sea Turtle

Step to Success:

- Read text
- Identify keywords in questions
- Write answer in **COMPLETE SENTENCES**

Hawksbill Sea Turtle



The Hawksbill Sea Turtle is a critically endangered species of turtle. It is mostly seen in shallow waters and coral reefs. It is 60 centimetres long. It usually weighs about 70 kilograms. It has pointed beak.

- 1) Describe the size of the Hawksbill Sea Turtle.

- 2) Find the meaning of coral reefs (in english).

The hawksbill gets food from inside coral reefs, eating sponges, shrimp, squid, and other invertebrates. The hawksbill pointy beak helps the turtle get food out of the tiny cracks and holes in which it searches.

3) What does it eat?

4) What is the use of its pointy beaks?

Hawksbill turtles almost always nest in the warmer climates that run along the equator. People kill them and use their shells to make jewellery. They are also endangered because their nests are landfilled and people eat their eggs.

5) Where do they build their nest?

6) In the paragraph, what are the three reasons they become endangered?

Several characteristics of the hawksbill sea turtle distinguish it from other sea turtle species. It has elongated and tapered head, and its beak is more pointy than the others. The hawksbill's forelimbs have two claws on each flipper.

7) What are the unique characteristics of the hawksbill turtle?

Their nests can be found throughout beaches in about 60 countries. The most significant nesting beaches are in Mexico, the Seychelles, Indonesia, and Australia. Females drag their heavy bodies high onto the beach during the night. They dig a nesting hole using their rear flippers, then lay clutches of eggs and cover them with sand. After the hours-long process, the female returns to the sea.

8) Where do they nest?

9) Where do they put their eggs?

The baby turtles hatch at night after around two months. These hatchlings are dark-colored, with heart-shaped shell measuring around 2.5 cm long. They crawl into the sea at night. Baby turtles that do not reach the water by daybreak are killed and eaten by birds, crabs and other predators. While they emerge under the cover of darkness, baby turtles that do not reach the water by daybreak are preyed upon by shorebirds, shore crabs, and other predators.

10) Describe the hatchlings.

11) What happens if they do not reach the sea by daybreak?
