

Gray's Reef NMS Live Exploration: Elementary Vocabulary

Nouns

Abundance: a large amount of something

Camouflage: something (such as color or shape) that protects an animal from attack by making the animal difficult to see

Crustacean: a type of animal (such as a crab or lobster) that has several pairs of legs and a body made up of sections that are covered in a hard outer shell

Ecosystem: everything that exists in a particular environment, including living and non-living things

Exoskeleton: a hard external covering for the body in some animals, providing protection and support

Exploration: to look at something in a careful way to learn more about it

Habitat: the place or type of place where a plant or animal normally lives or grows

Ingestion: to take something such as food into your body by swallowing

Nutrient: a substance that plants, animals, and people need to live and grow

Organism: a living thing

Predator: an animal that lives by killing and eating other animals

Prey: an animal hunted or taken for food, especially by a meat-eating animal

Resources: a supply of something that someone has and can use when it is needed

School: a large group of fish that swims together

Species: a group of animals or plants that are the same and can produce young animals or plants

Survival: to stay alive and continue to live

Sustainability: able to last or continue for a long time



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Adjectives

Complicated: hard to understand, explain, or deal with

Diverse: different from each other

Endangered: a type of animal or plant that could die out completely because there are not many left

Exterior: located on the outside of something

Independent: not needing someone for help or support

Marine: anything that involves the sea or the plants and animals that live in the sea

Microscopic: something that is very small and can be seen only through a microscope

Natural: something that comes from nature and is not made or caused by people

Symbiotic: a relationship between two organisms where they both benefit from one another

Transmitting: to send information in the form of electrical signals to a device

