25 Free Ocean Coloring Pages for Kids

Sea Animals Printable PDF | Ages 4-8

Dive into a world of discovery

Explore 25 original ocean scenes, from open-water dolphins to reef fish and rocky tide pools. Look for fins, flippers, shells, and curling arms.



Gather your supplies

- US Letter paper or white cardstock
- Crayons or colored pencils
- Washable markers and a table cover, if preferred

Print, color, explore!

1. Choose and print

Print pages 3-27 on US Letter paper in portrait at 100% / Actual Size.

2. Meet the animals

Use the picture guide on page 2. Say the animal names together.

3. Add your colors

Use light pencil pressure, then layer colors. See the example on page 28.

4. Notice and compare

Count the octopus arms. Compare a seal with a sea lion. Find a reef scene.

For grown-ups: these are simplified, friendly illustrations, not scale drawings. Smiles and bubbles are playful details. The treasure chest is an imagined scene.

Supervise art materials as needed. Every child can choose their own colors.

Meet the ocean animals

Look for these features. Page numbers help you find each animal.



Bottlenose dolphin

A mammal with flippers, a blowhole, and tail flukes.

Color pages 3, 19, 27



Green sea turtle

A reptile with a shell and four swimming flippers.

Color pages 4, 20



Octopus

Eight arms with suckers. Some arms may hide in a den.

Color pages 5, 21



Humpback whale

A mammal with very long front flippers.

Color pages 6, 18



Seahorse

A fish with a tubular snout and a gripping tail.

Color pages 7, 22



Sea star (starfish)

The sea stars here have five arms. They are not fish.

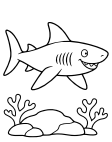
Color pages 8, 24, 26



Clownfish

A reef fish with bands, shown beside an anemone.

Color pages 9, 24



Shark

A fish with gill slits and a vertical tail fin.

Color pages 10



Moon jellyfish

A soft bell with short tentacles and oral arms.

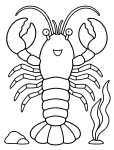
Color pages 11



Crab

Two pincers and eight walking legs.

Color pages 12, 25, 26



Clawed lobster

Large front claws, antennae, and a segmented tail.

Color pages 13



Stingray

A flat fish with broad pectoral fins and a long tail.

Color pages 14



Harbor seal

Short front flippers and no external ear flaps.

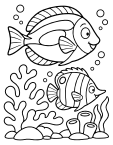
Color pages 15



California sea lion

Small external ear flaps and long front flippers.

Color pages 16



Tropical reef fish

Look for the tang and the butterflyfish.

Color pages 17

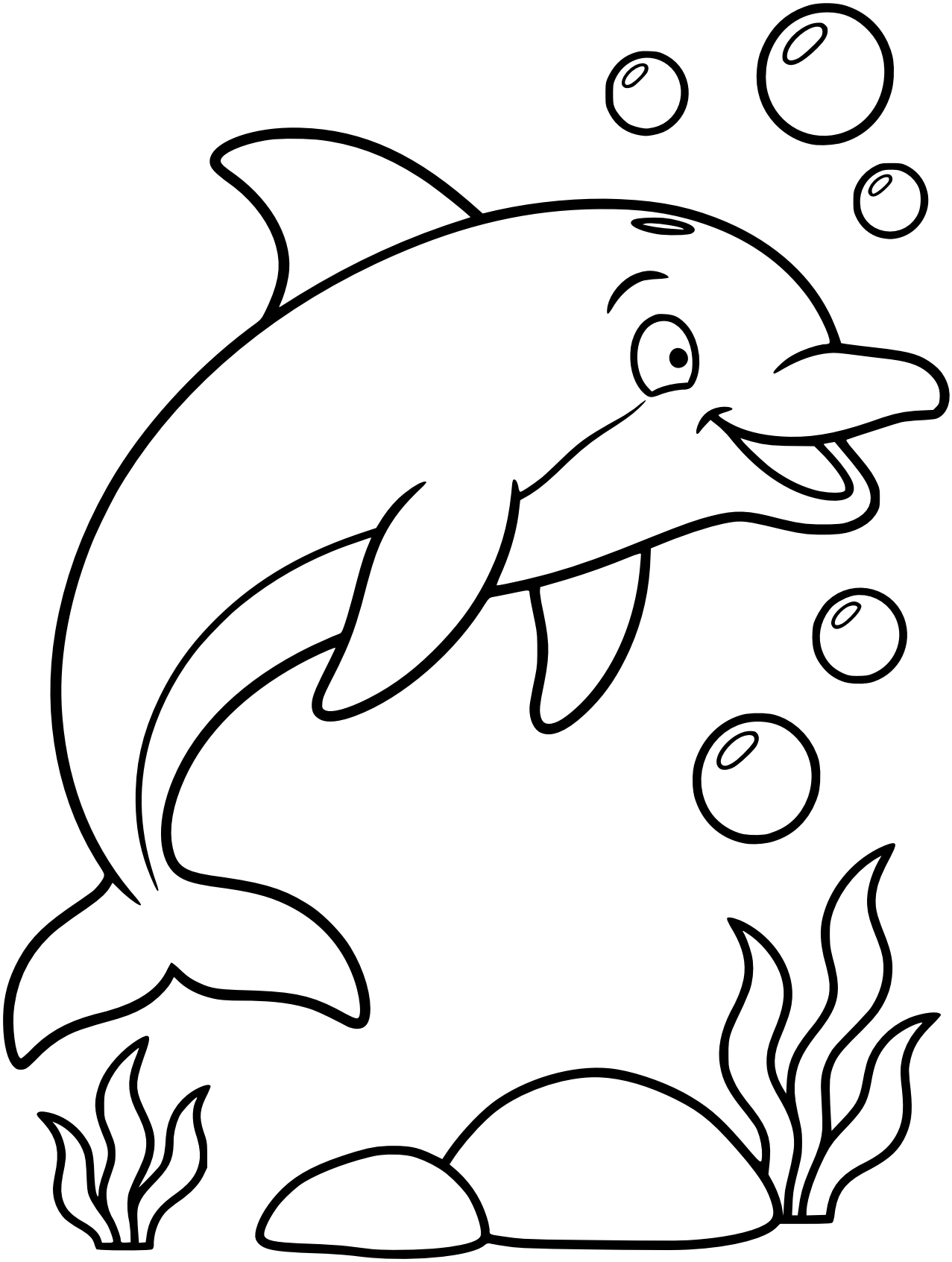
More to discover

Corals and sea anemones are animals. Kelp is algae. Seagrasses are flowering plants.

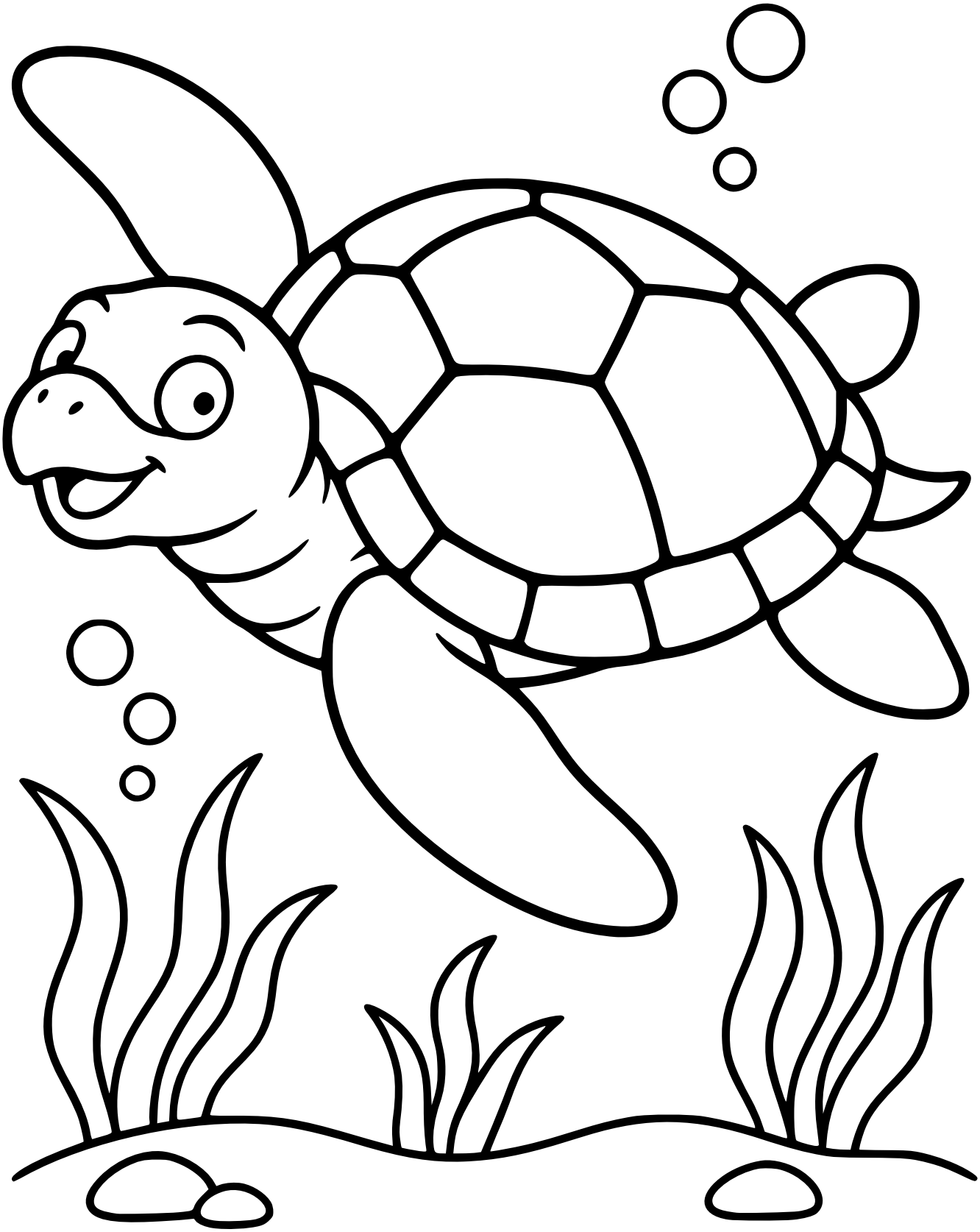
Scenes show different habitats; not all of these animals live together.

Learn more: Smithsonian Ocean - ocean.si.edu/ocean-life
NOAA Fisheries - fisheries.noaa.gov | Monterey Bay Aquarium

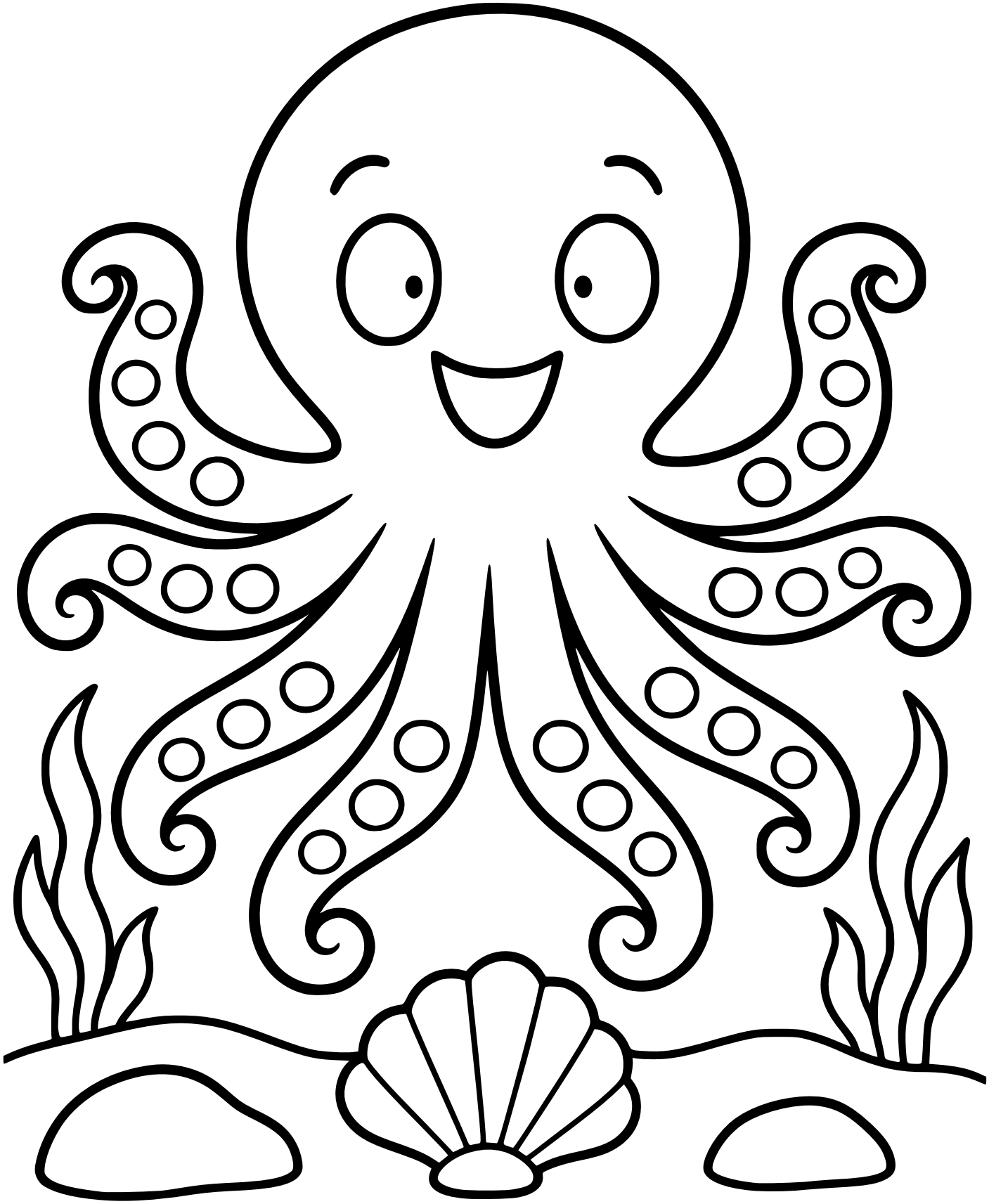
Smiling Dolphin



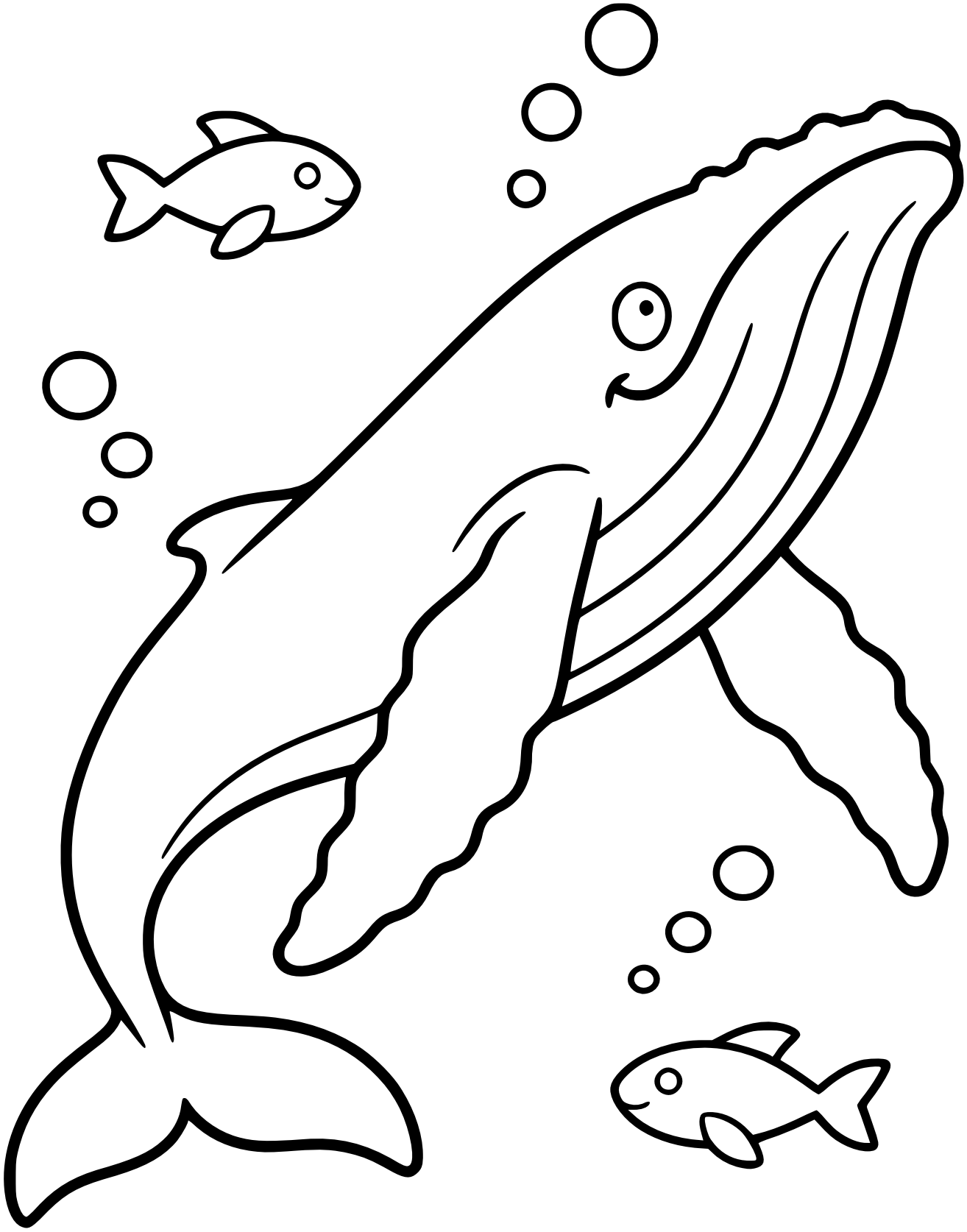
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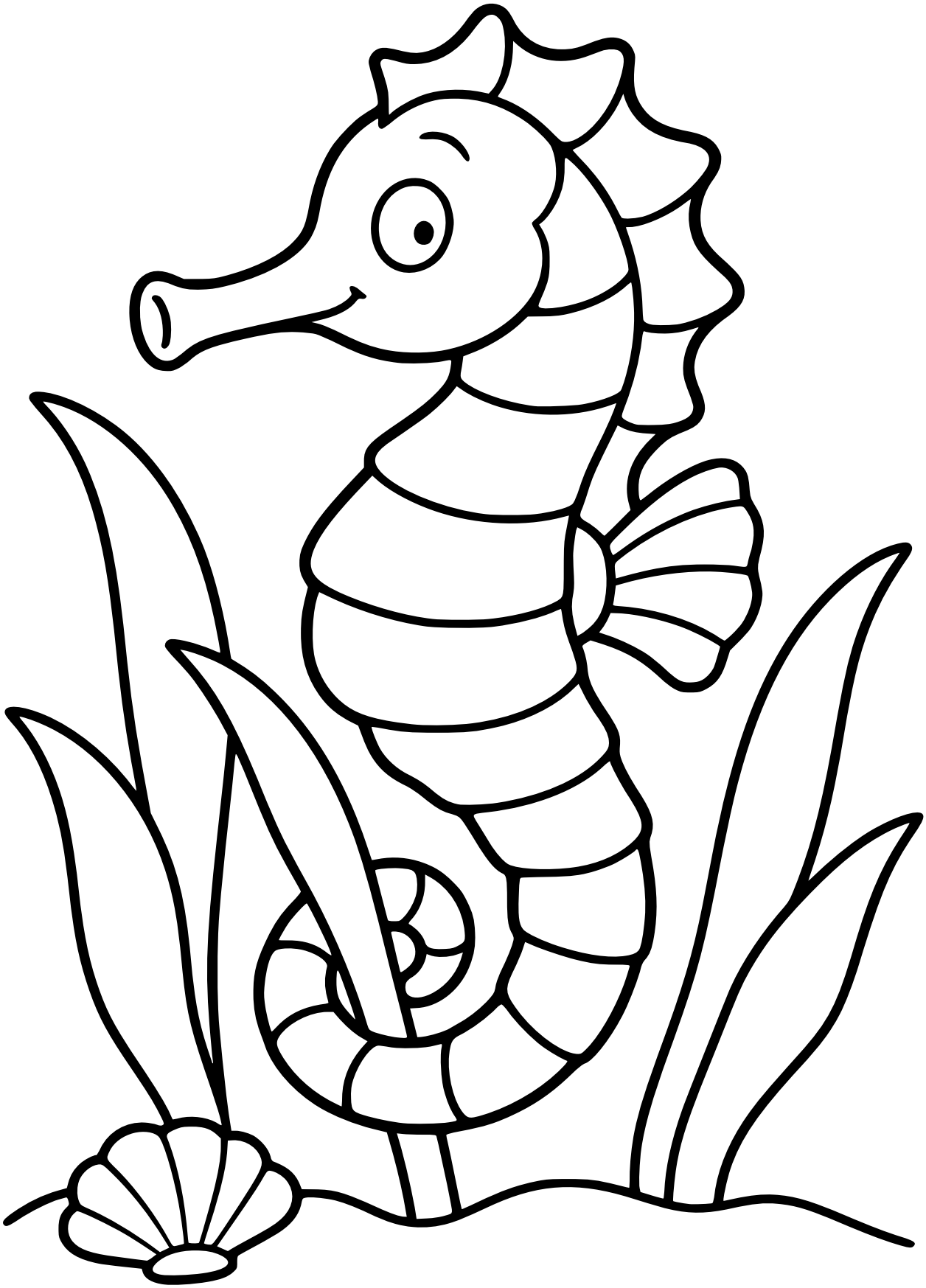
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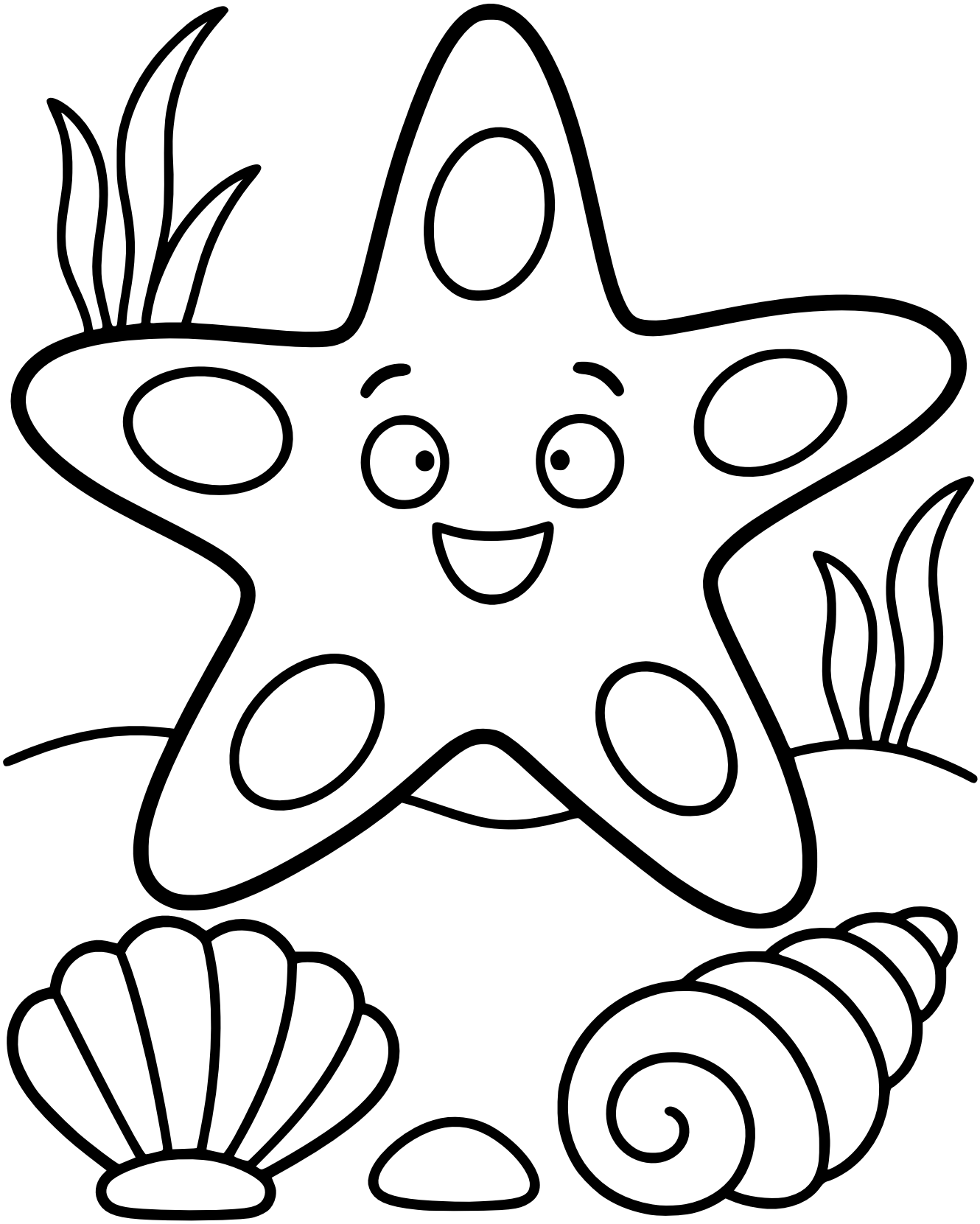
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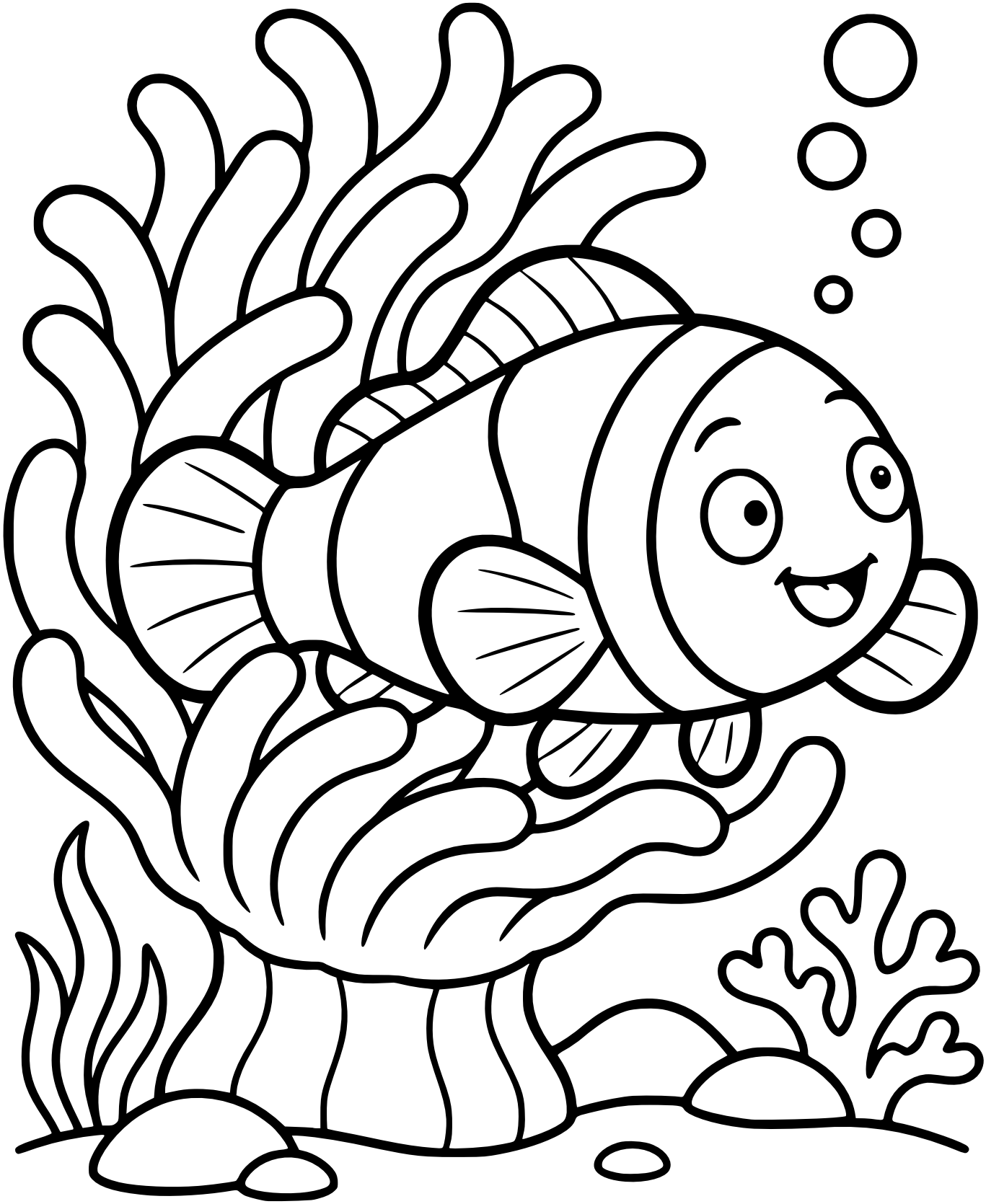
Seahorse in the Seagrass



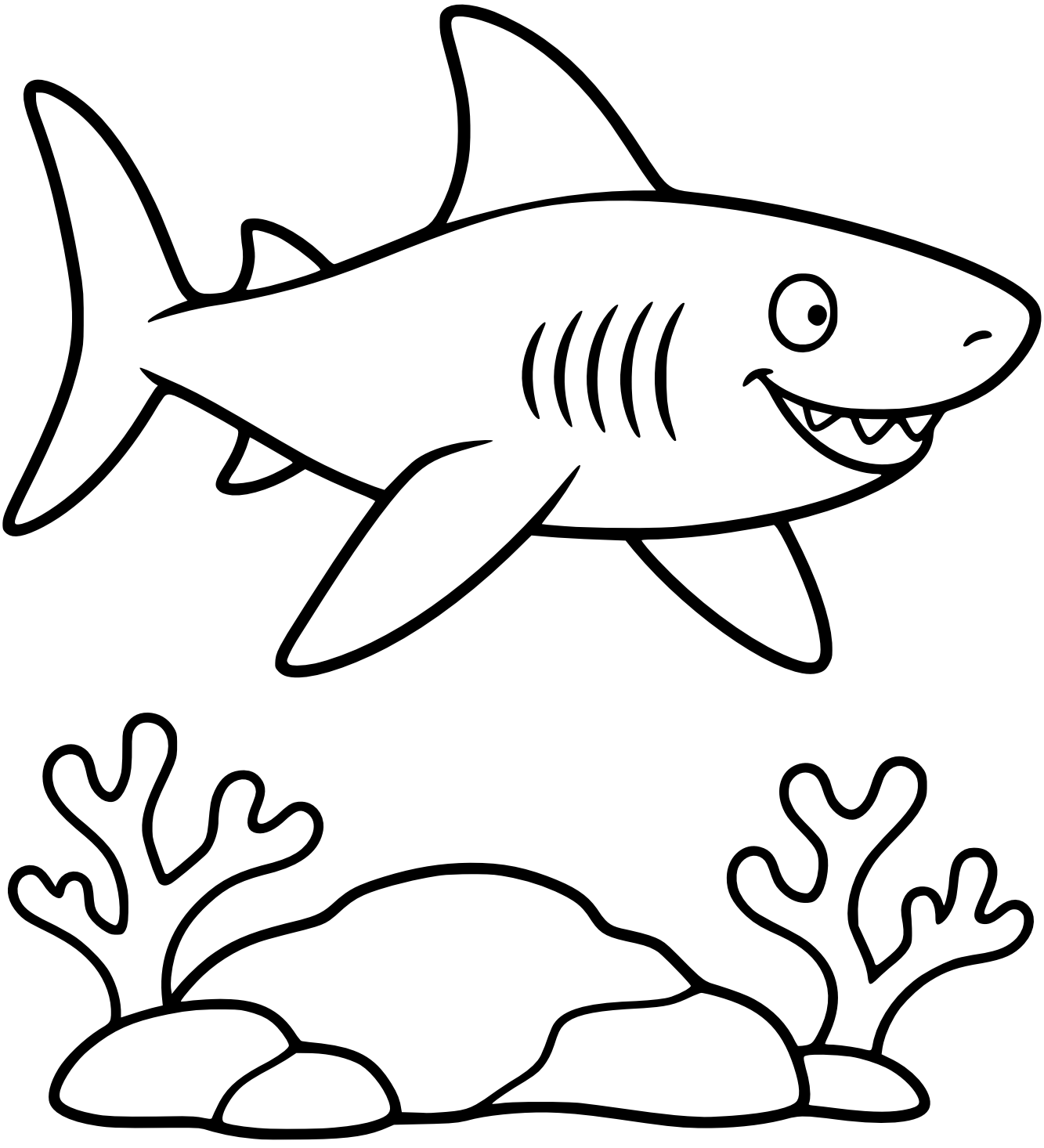
Sea Star on the Seabed



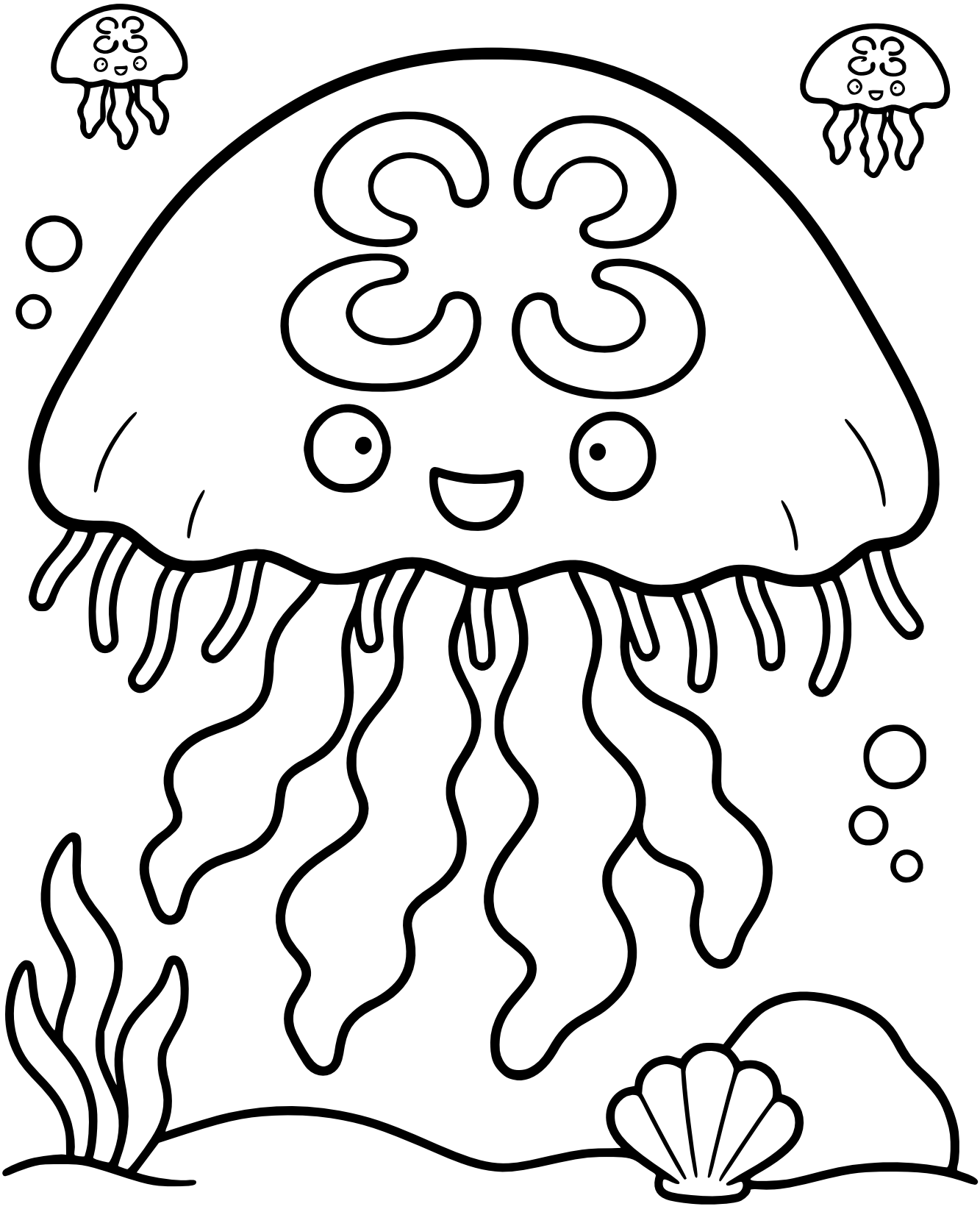
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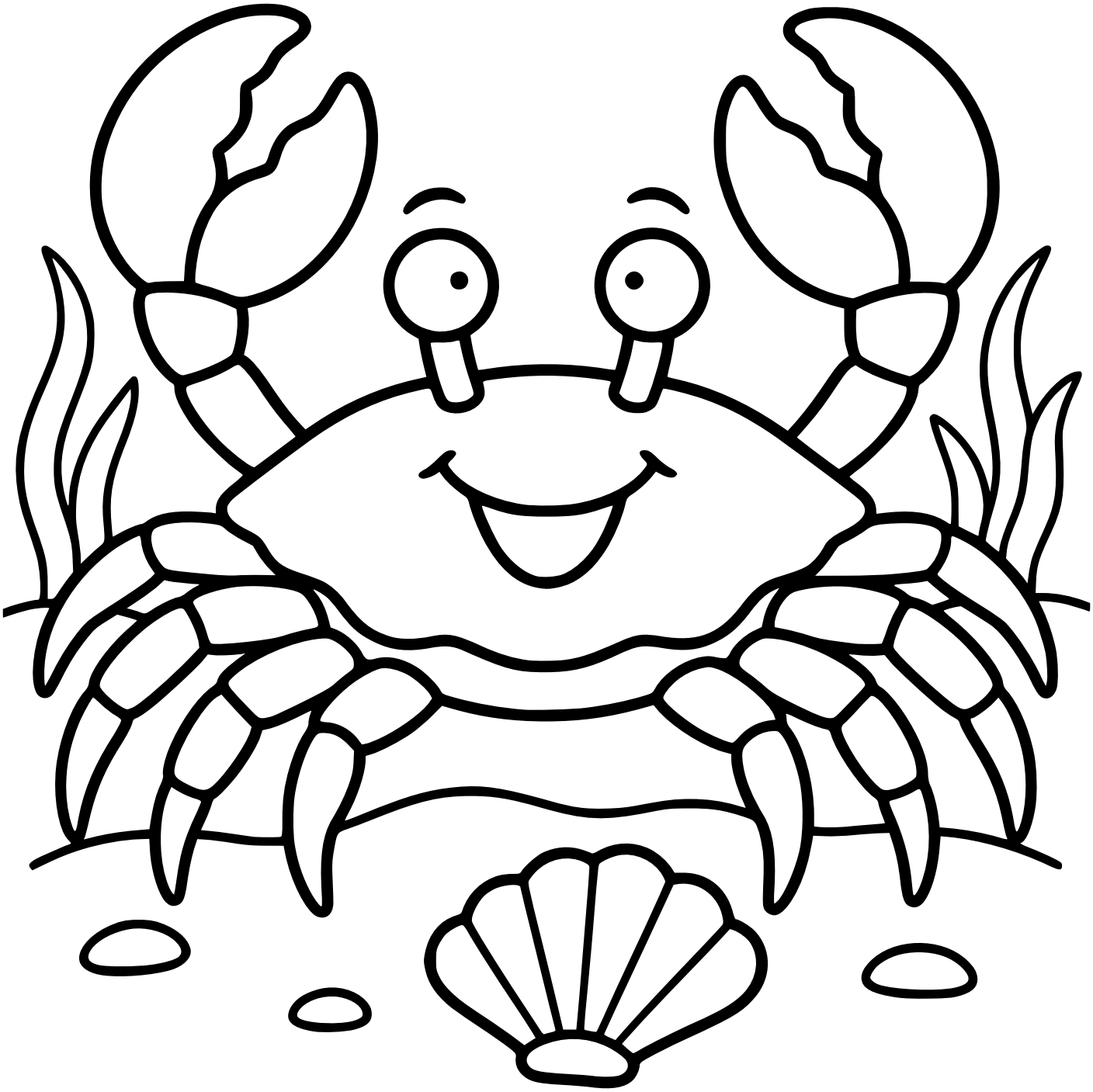
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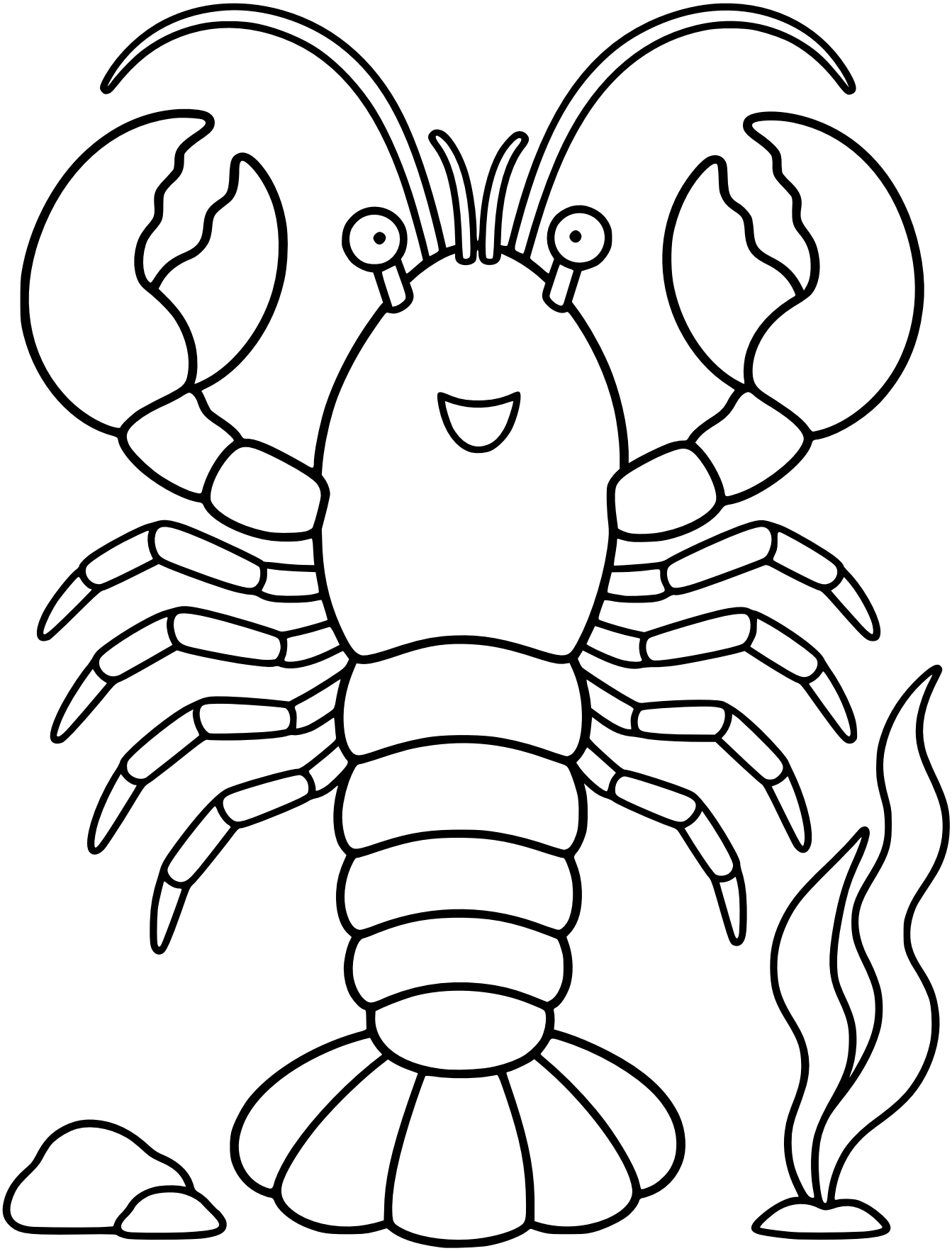
Floating Jellyfish



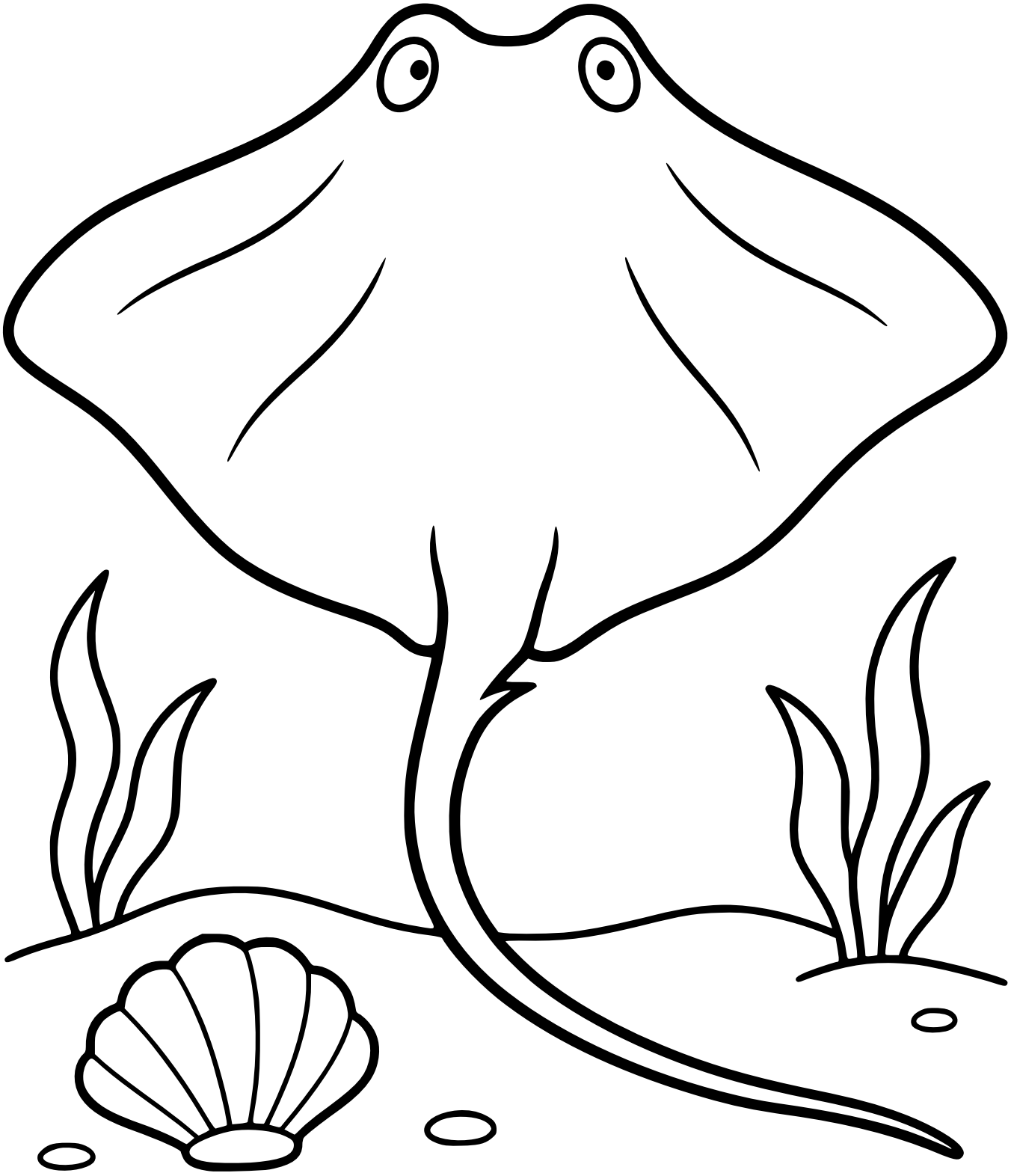
Crab on the Sand



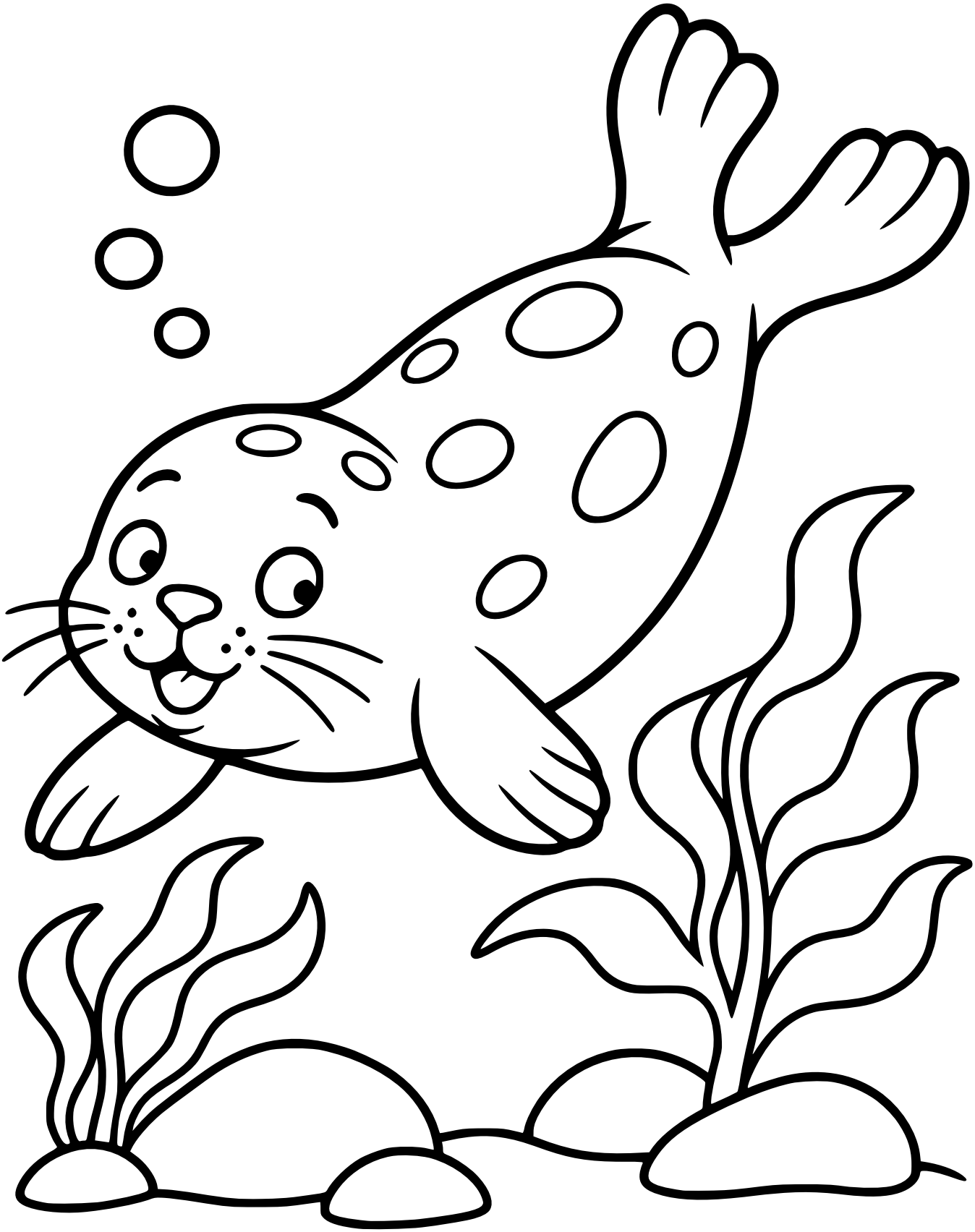
Lobster by the Rocks



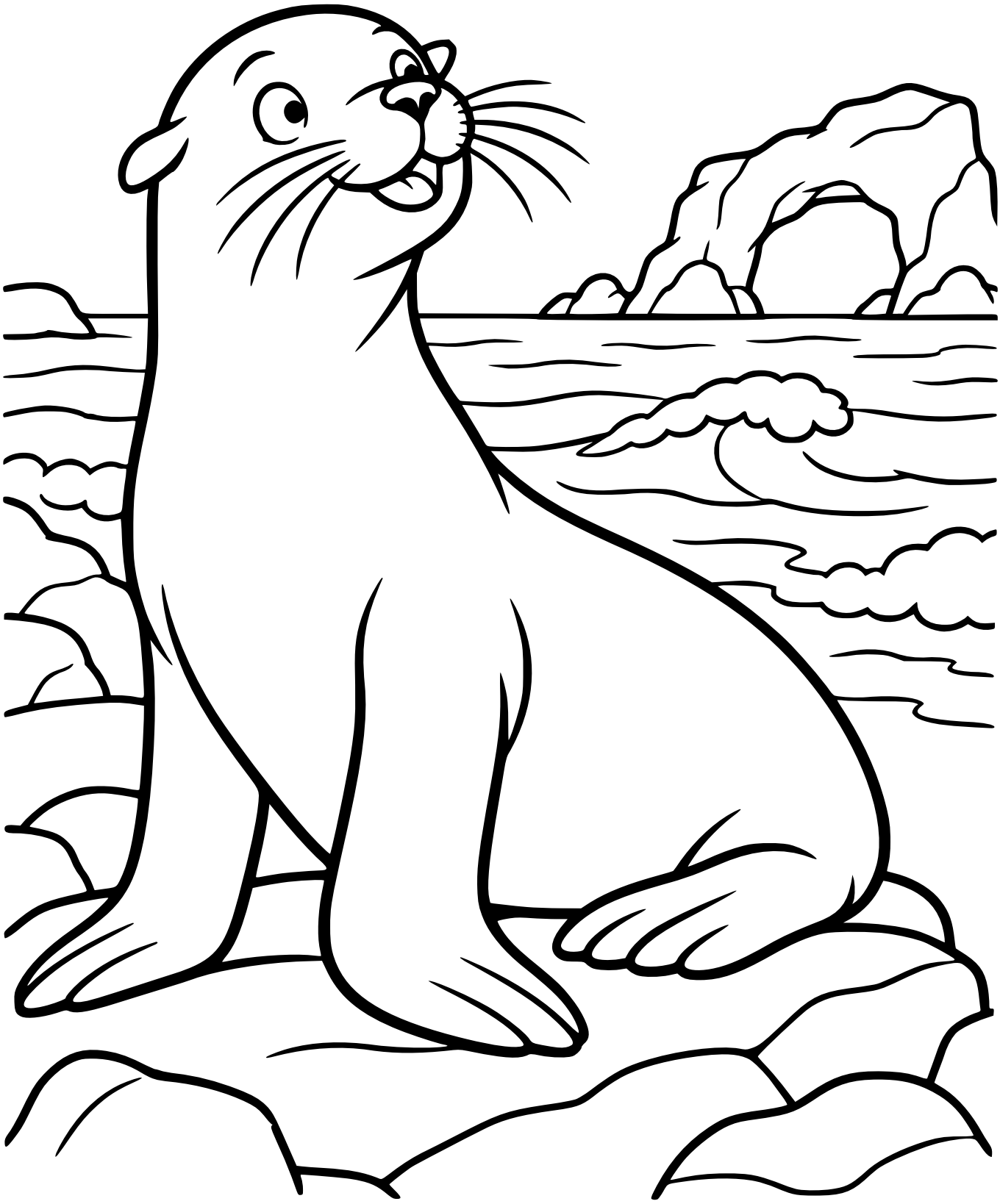
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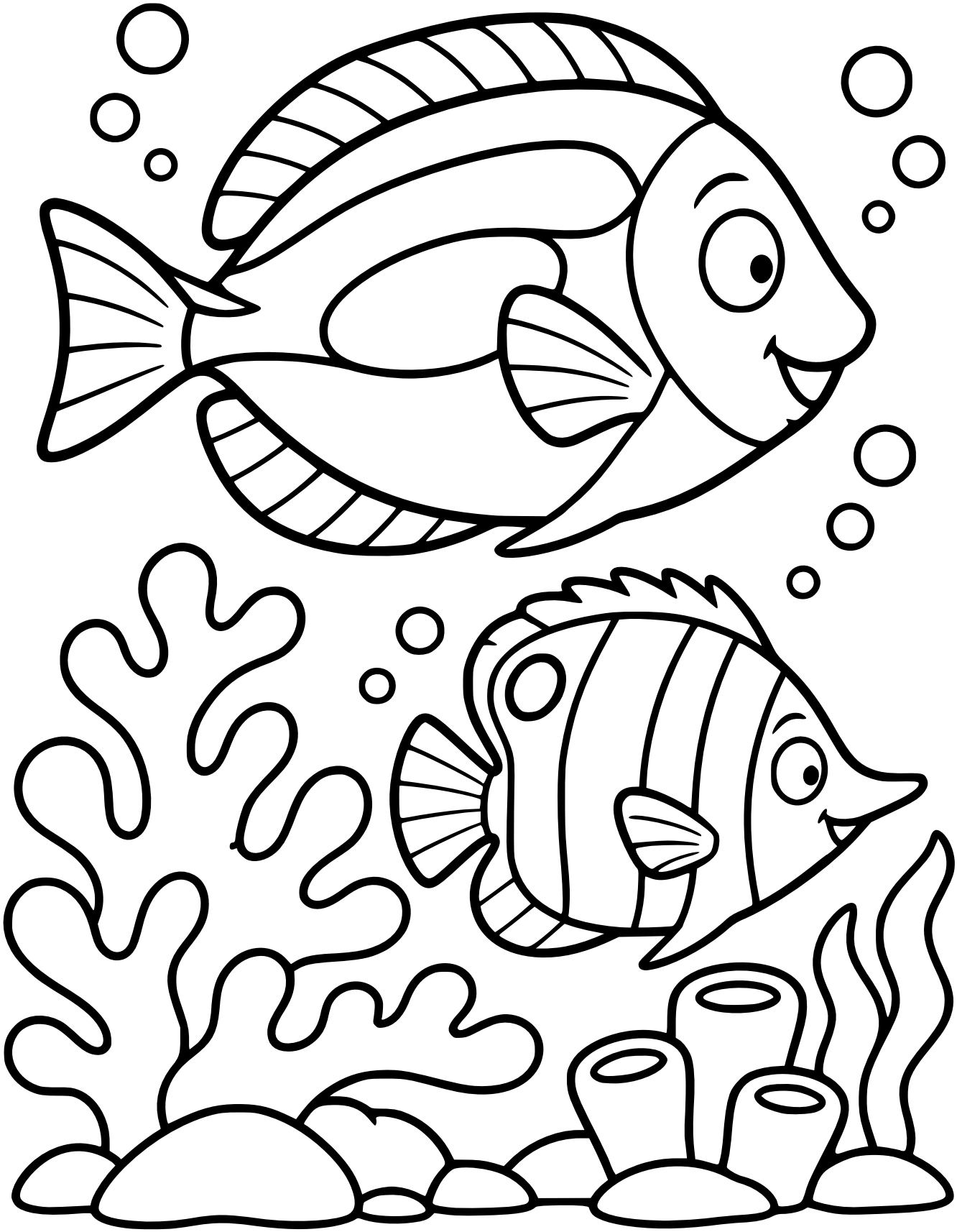
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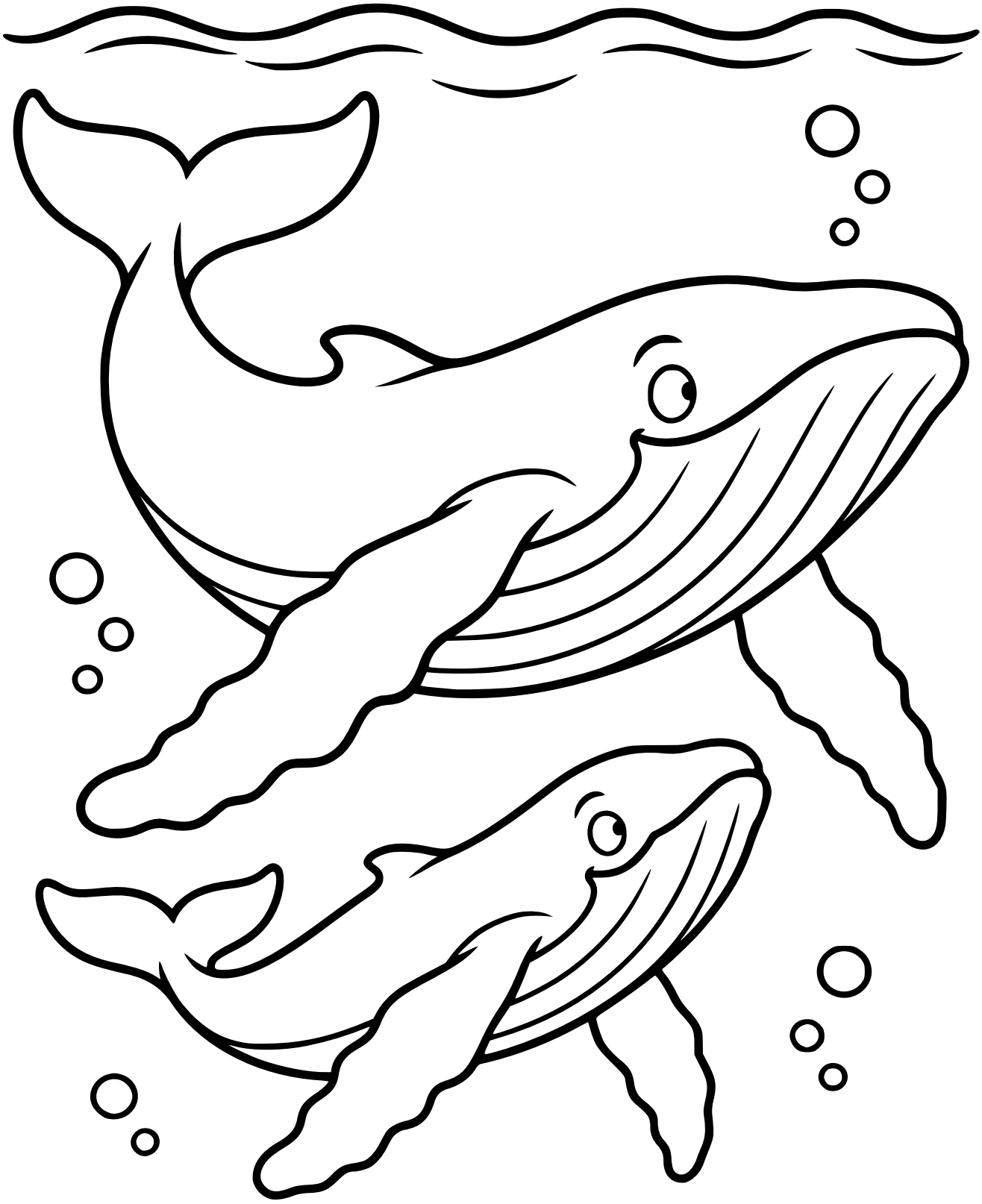
Sea Lion on the Coast



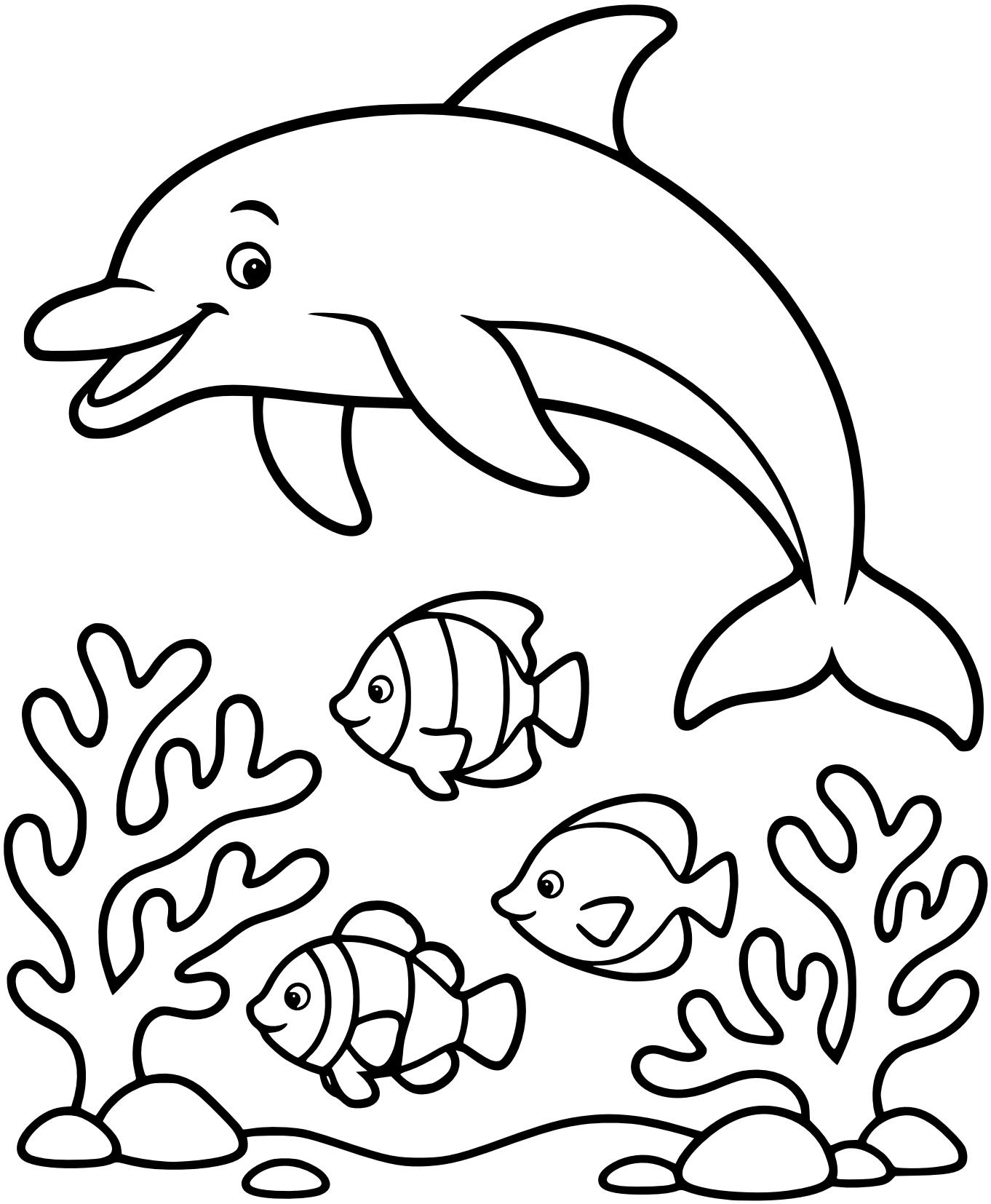
Tropical Fish



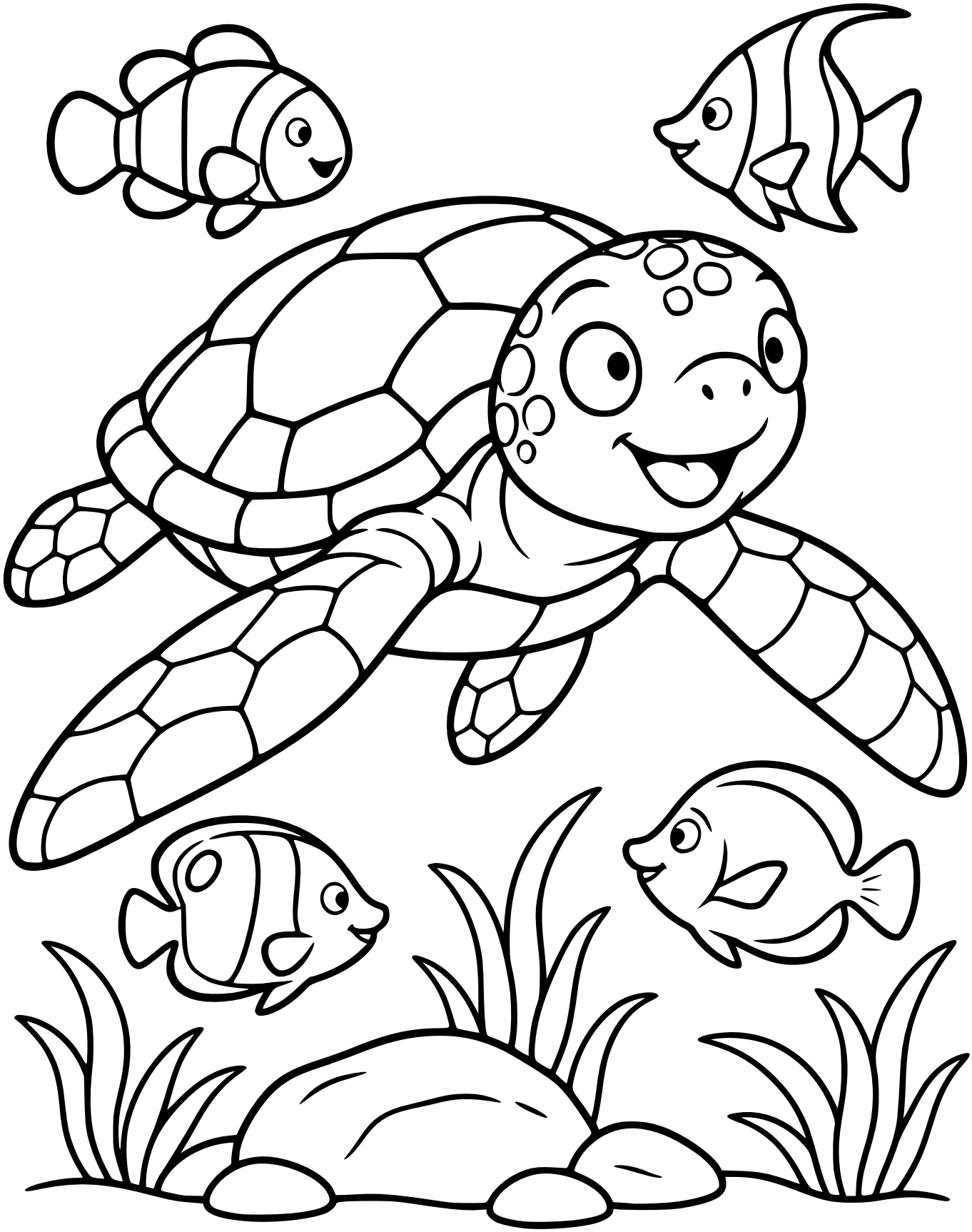
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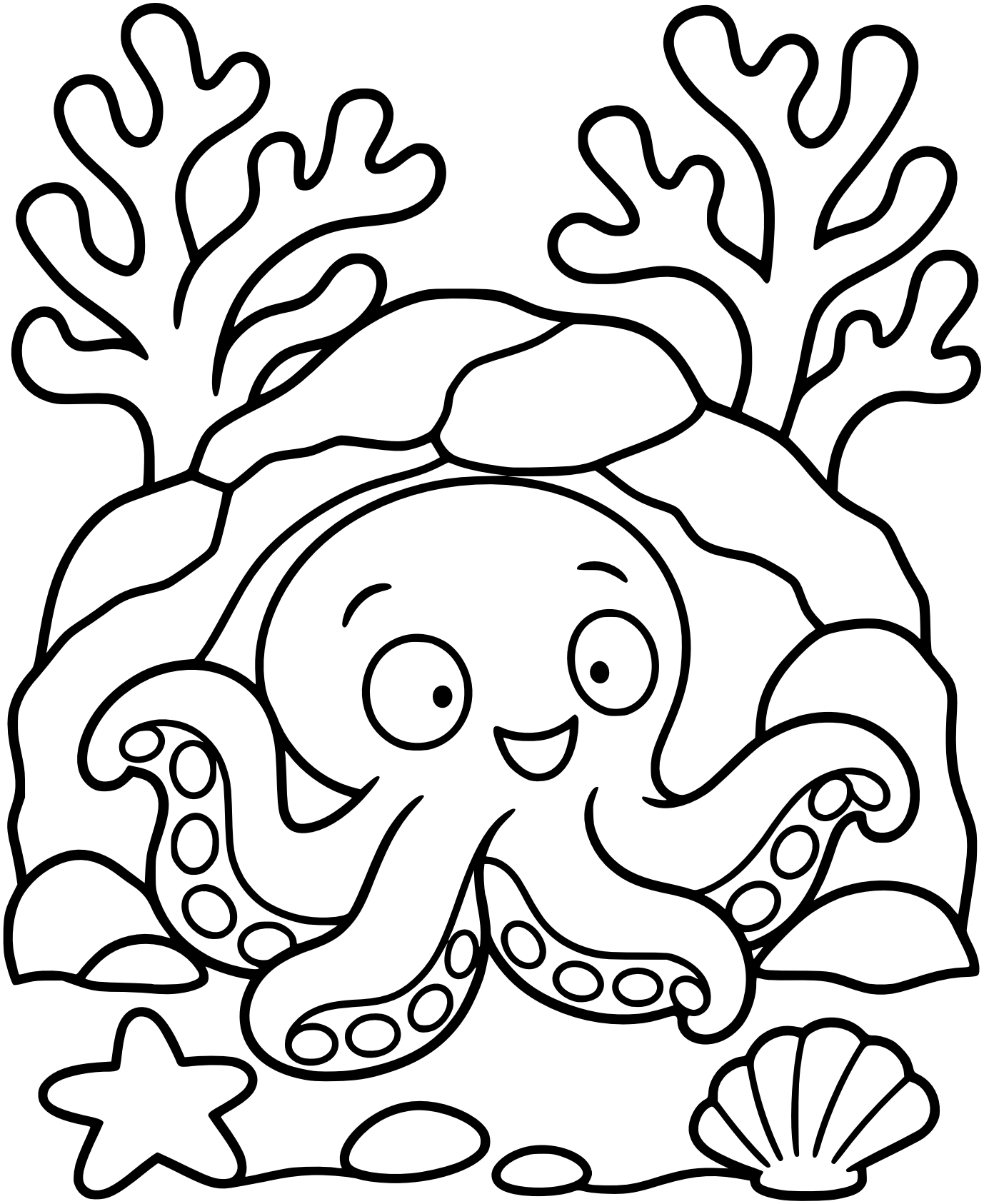
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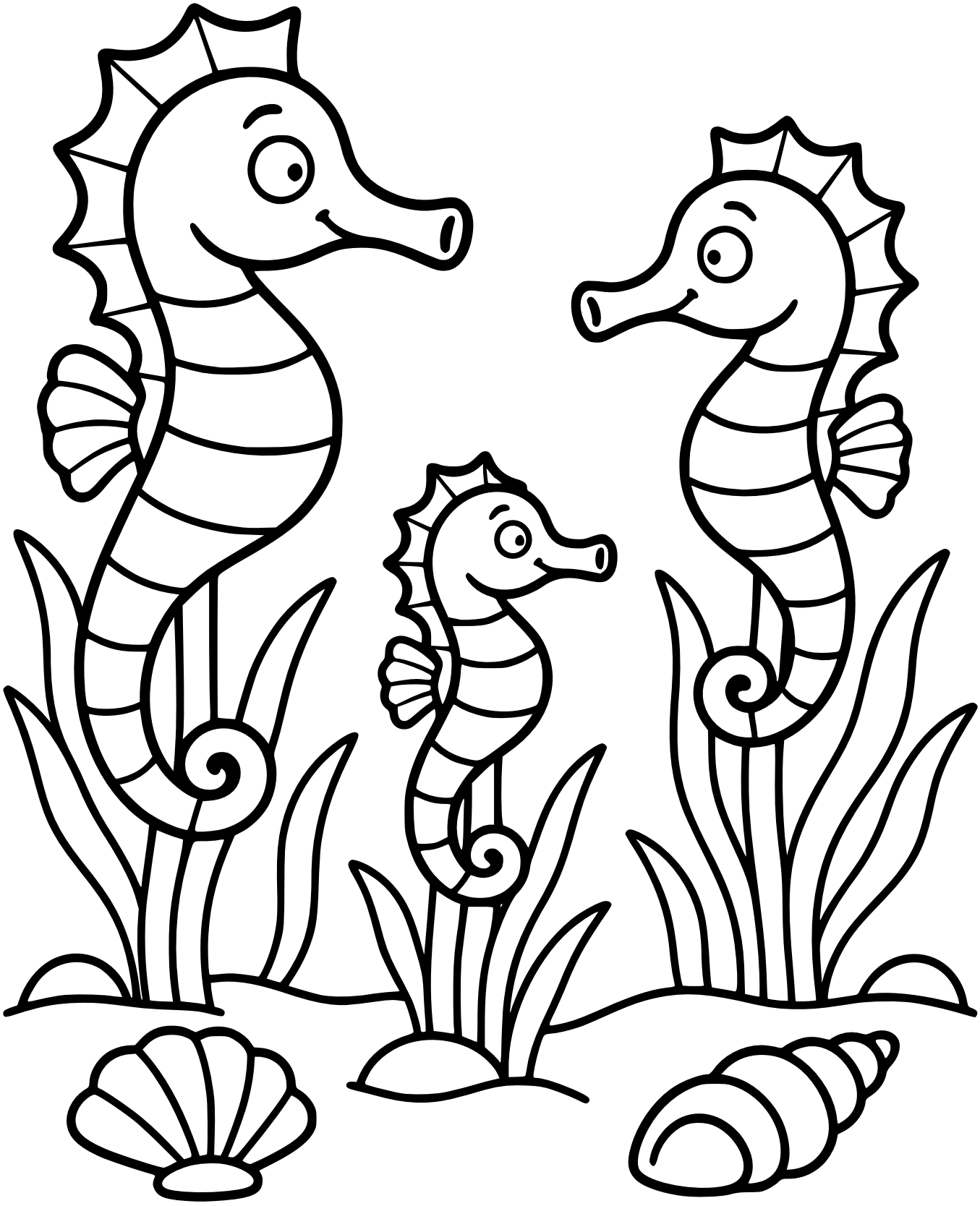
Sea Turtle and Fish



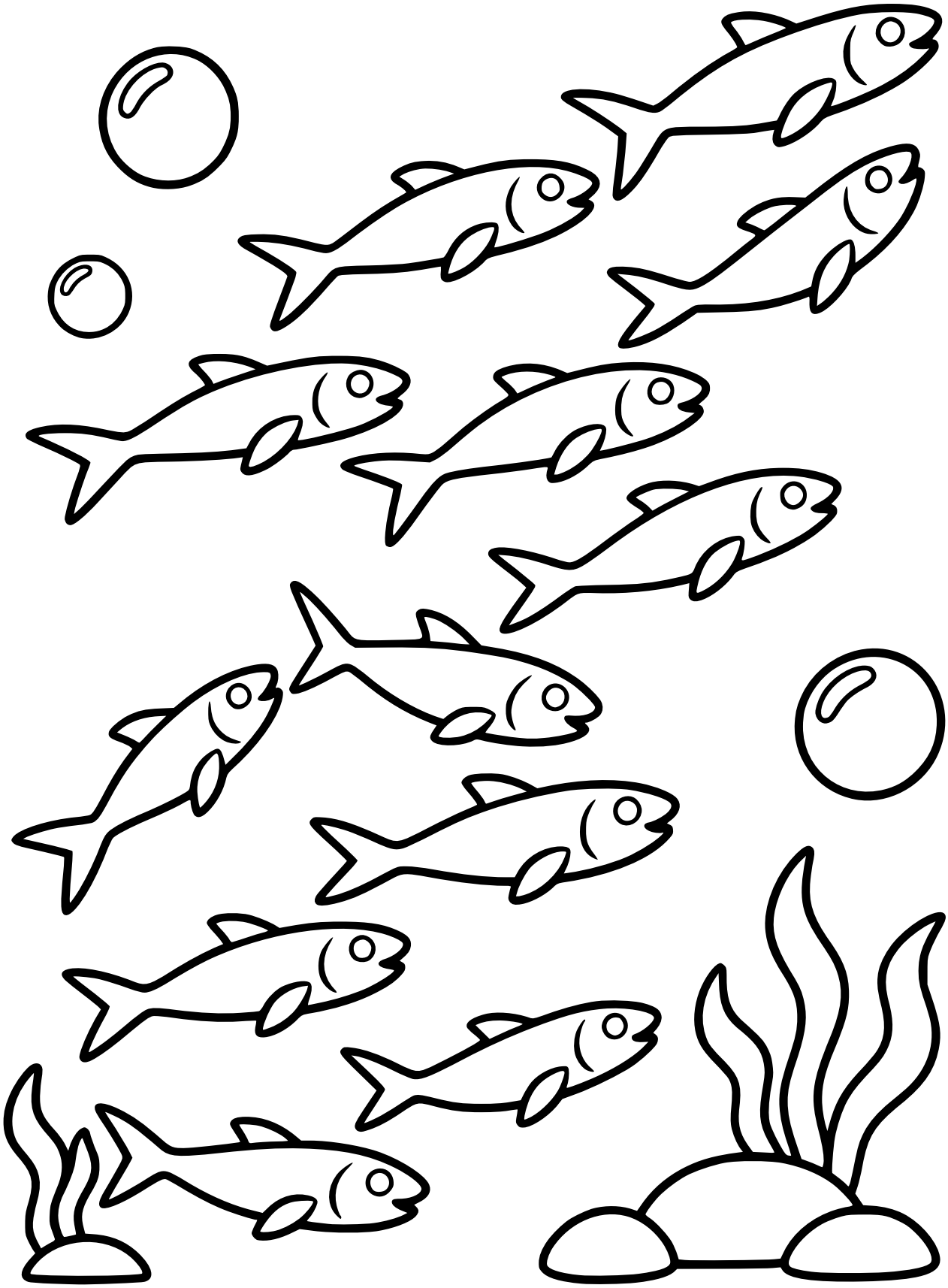
Octopus in a Reef Den



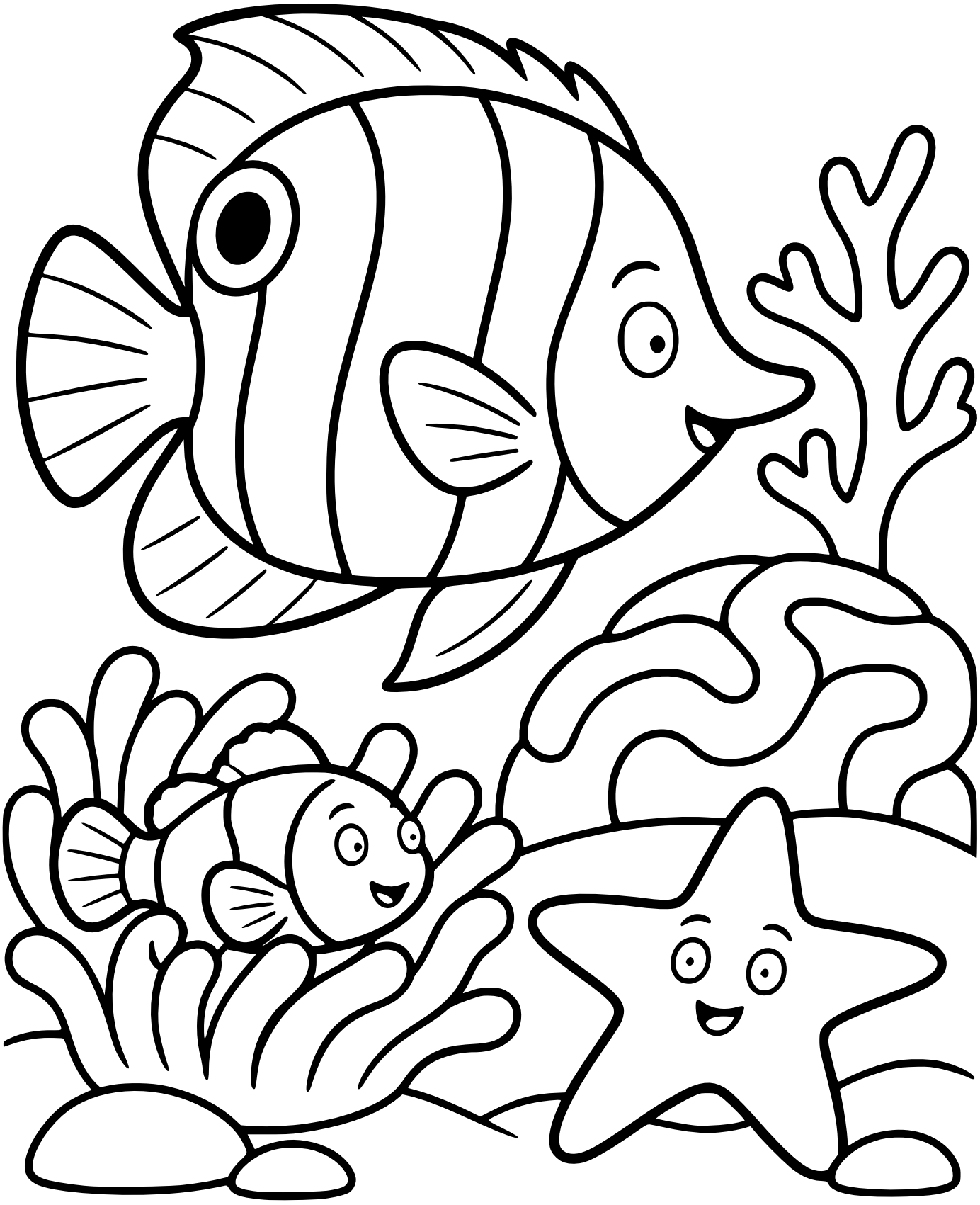
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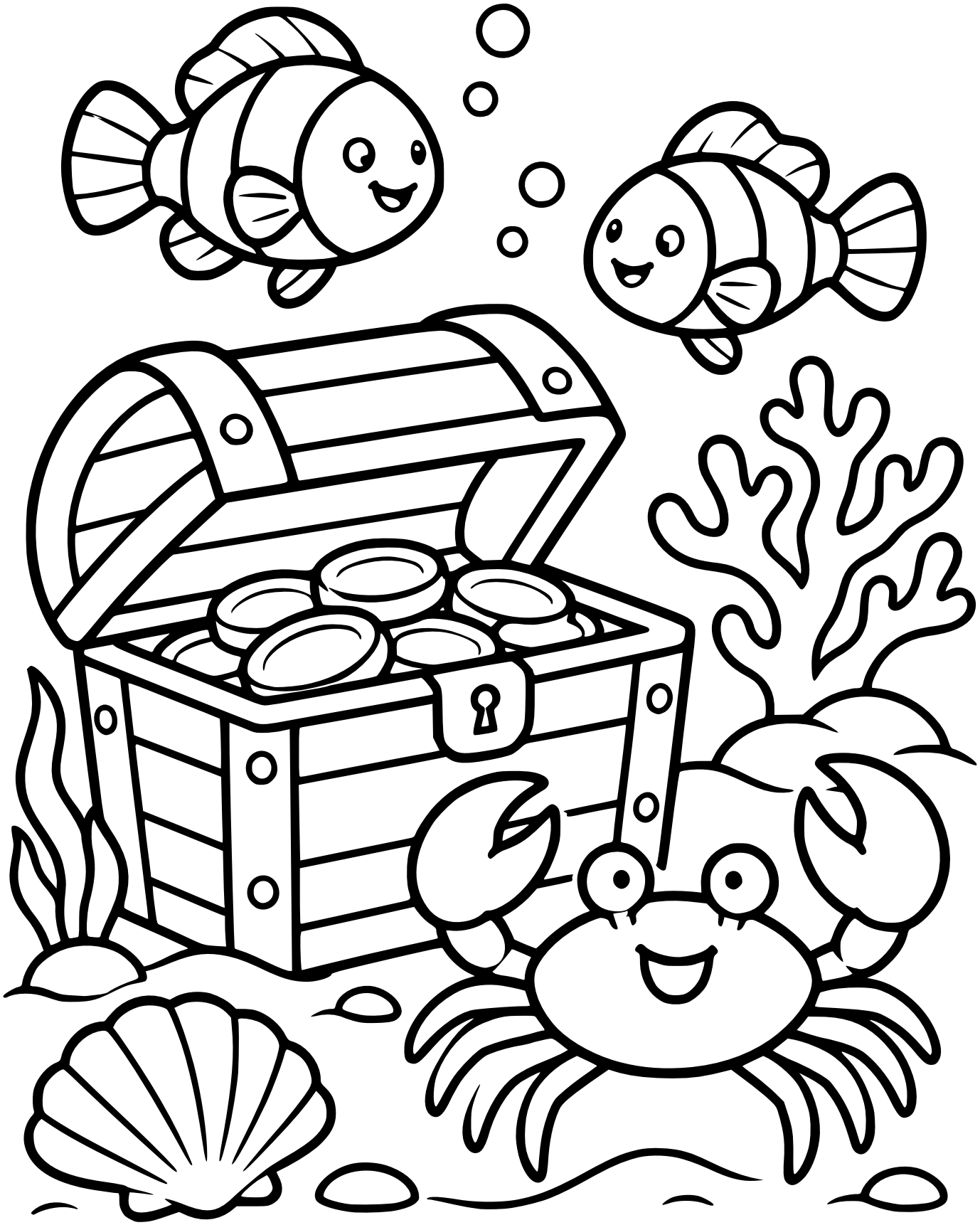
School of Fish



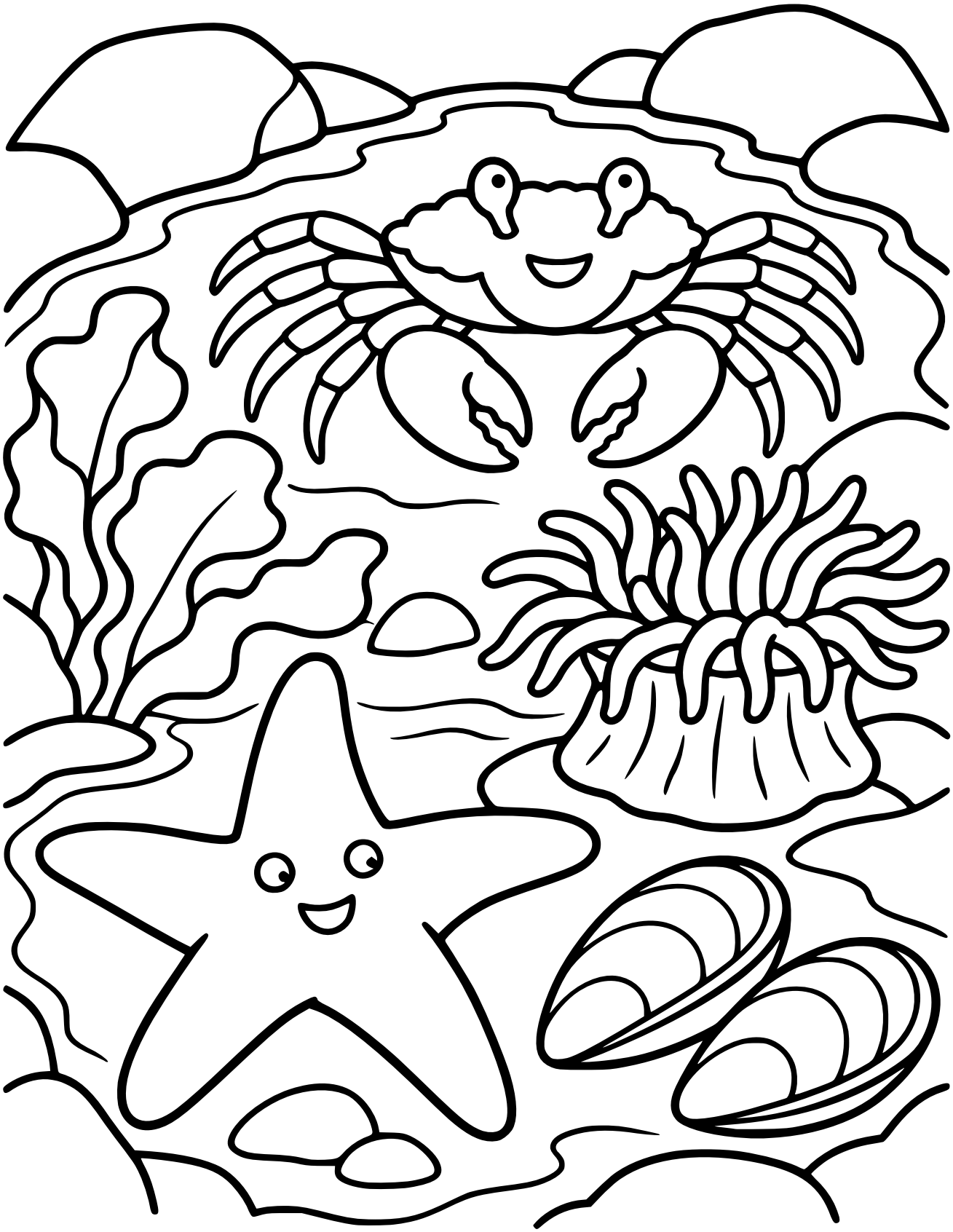
Ocean Reef Adventure



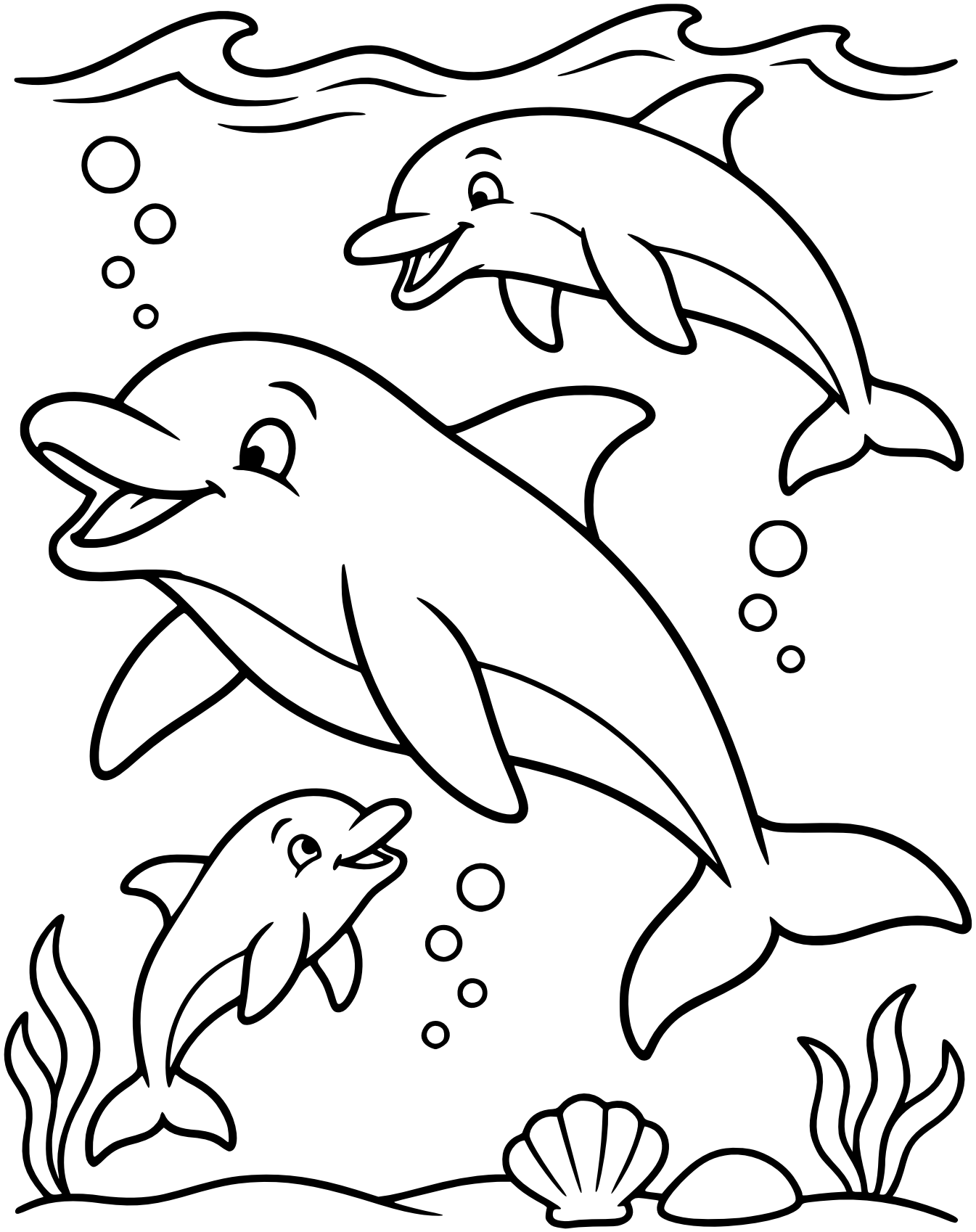
Underwater Treasure



Tide-Pool Friends



Dolphin Family



A little color inspiration

Friendly Sea Turtle - the matching coloring page is page 4.



Use this pencil-colored example as inspiration. Choose your own colors!