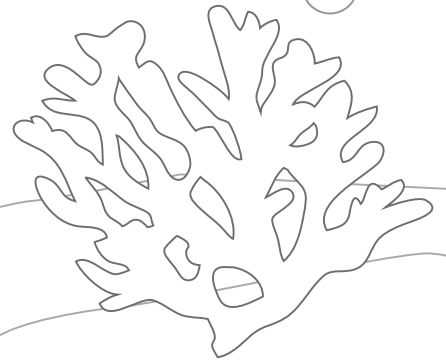
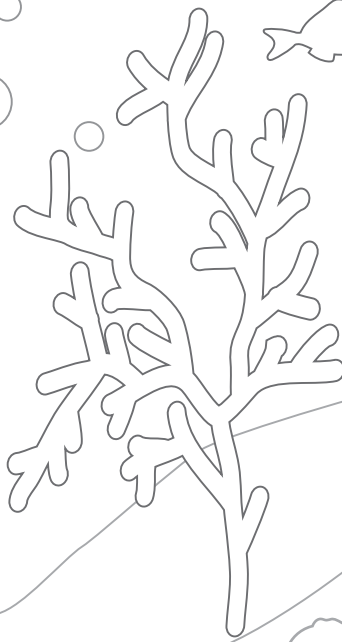
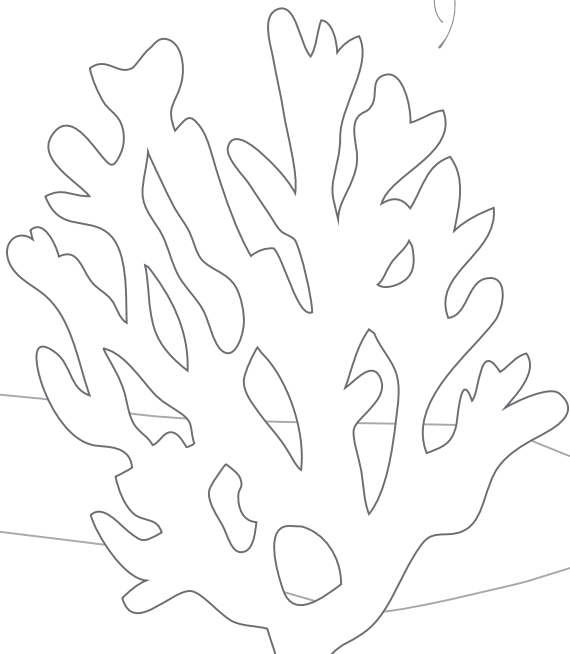
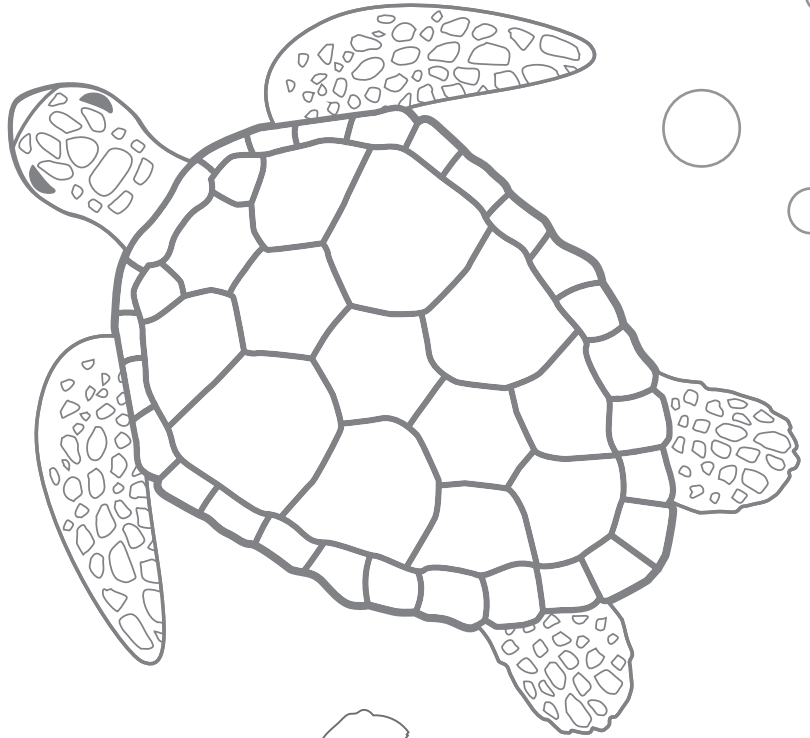


Turtle facts and fun activities



Colour me in

FIND the WORD

Can you find all of the words below?

Look up, down, across and diagonally!

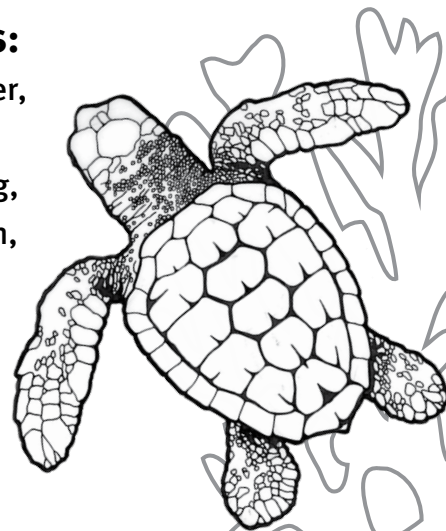
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Find the following hidden words:

Mon Repos, darkness, night, turtles, ranger,
 eggs, green, loggerhead, flatback, tracks,
 hatchlings, carapace, cut the glow, nesting,
 endangered, emerge, vulnerable, research,
 relocation, flippers,
 incubate, migration,
 education, volunteers,
 conservation, beach,
 pollution, boat strike,
 ghost net, go slow

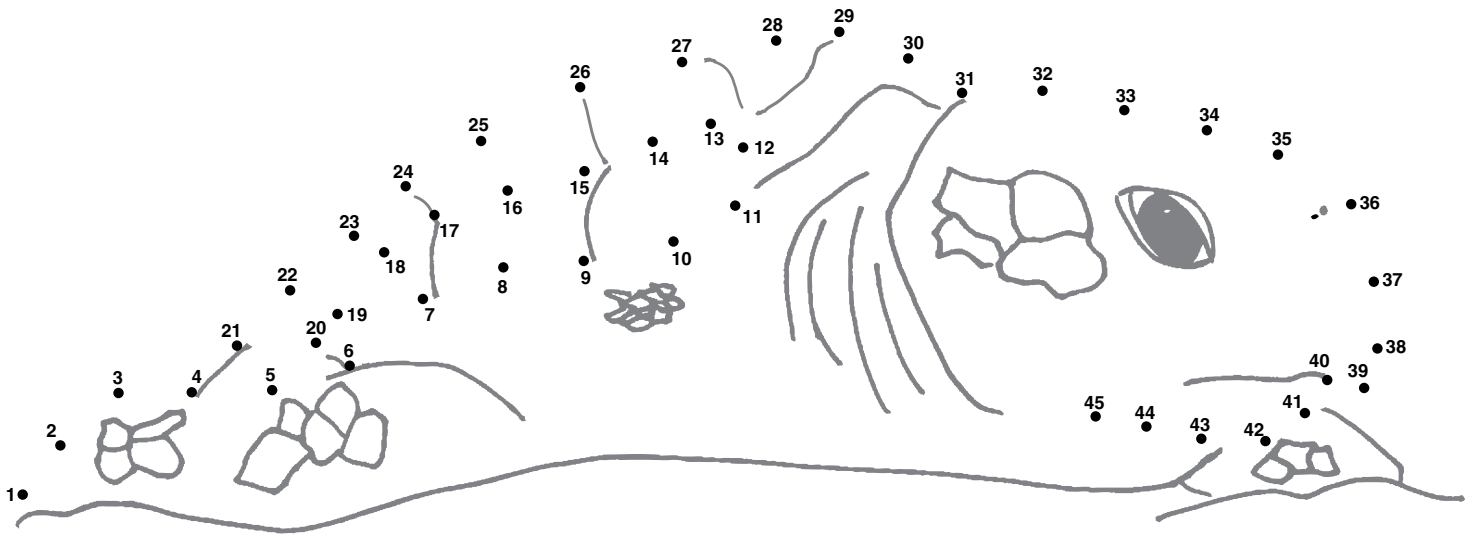
FACT

Hatchlings wait for a drop in temperature at the surface of their nest before emerging, as that usually indicates nightfall.



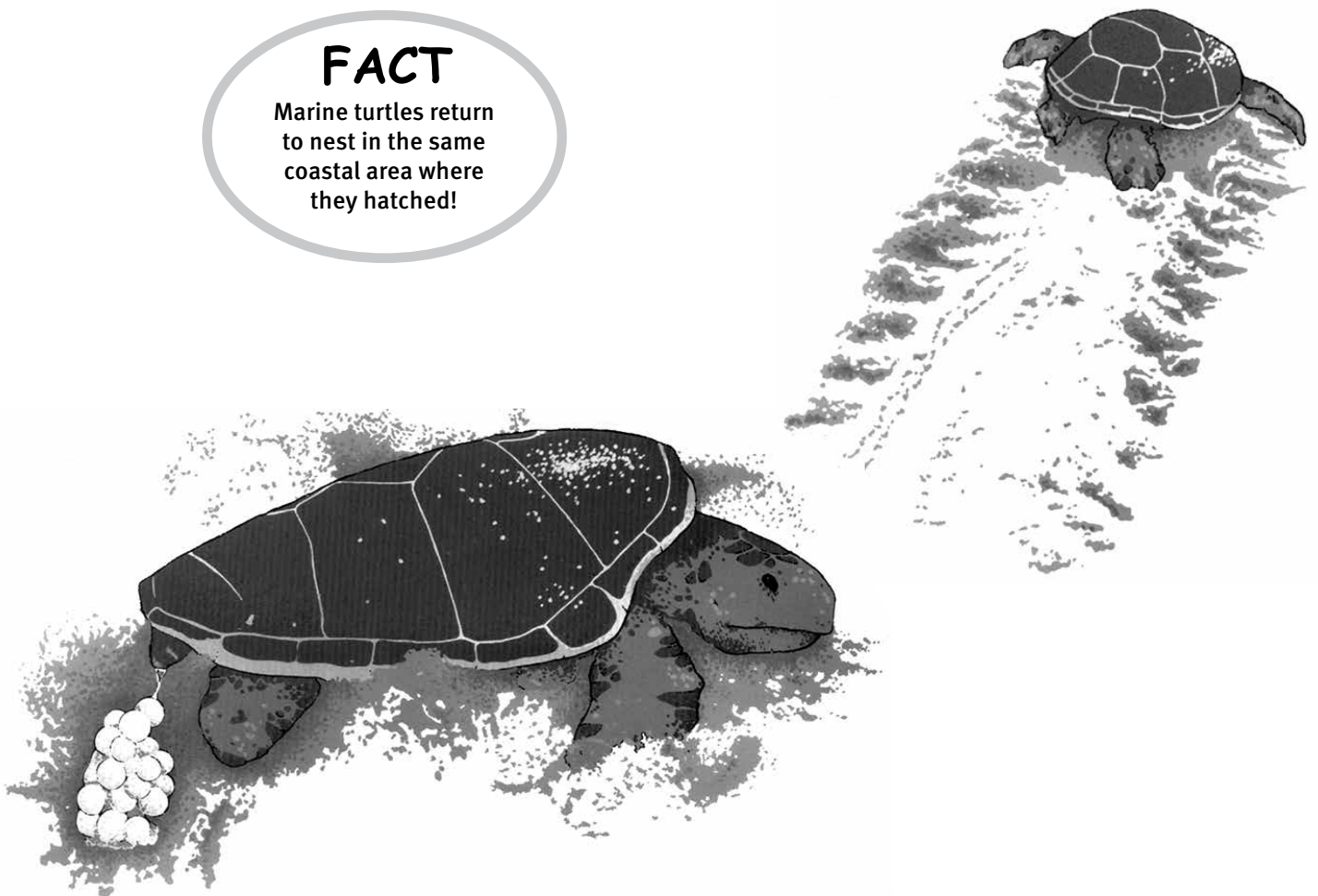
Join the Dots

Join the dots from 1 to 45 to make a picture.



FACT

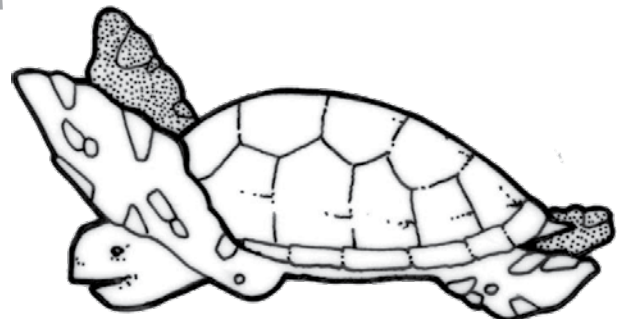
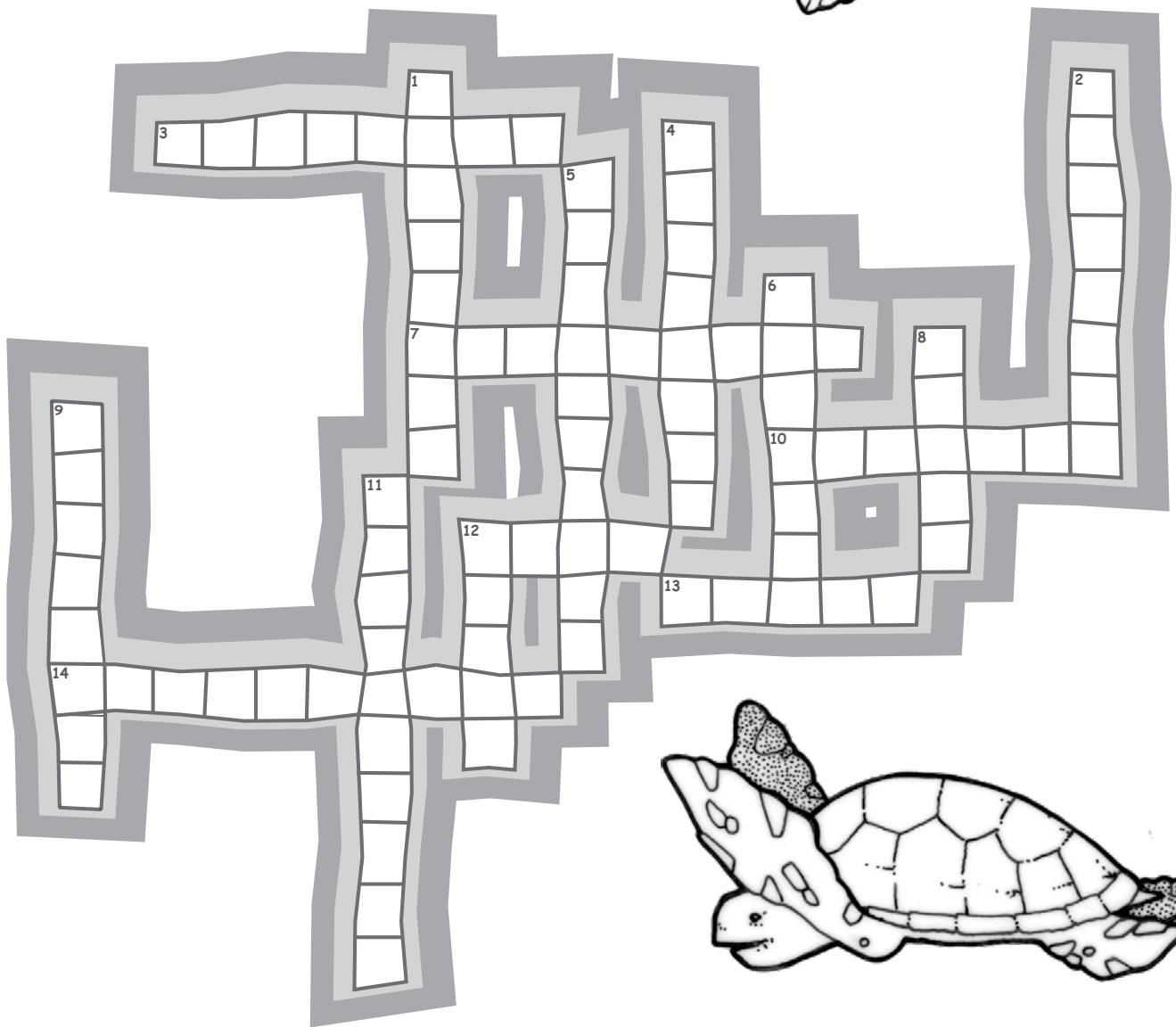
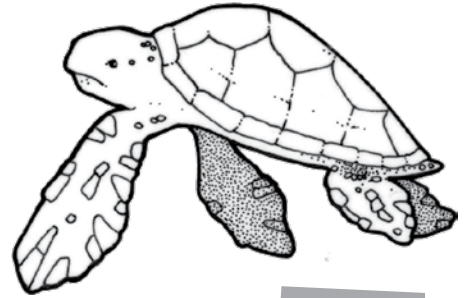
Marine turtles return to nest in the same coastal area where they hatched!



CROSSWORD

Down

1. The shell on a turtle is called a _____ (8)
2. _____ has the largest nesting loggerhead population in the South Pacific Ocean (3, 5)
4. The _____ program gives us lots of information about turtles (8)
5. The local community can _____ to Help Turtles Go! (3, 3, 4)
6. Turtles _____ from their feeding ground to their nesting area (7)
8. Hatchlings use natural _____ horizons to locate the ocean (5)
9. Turtles use their _____ to dig their nests (8)
11. Green turtles are a _____ species (10)
12. There are _____ species of marine turtles world wide (5)



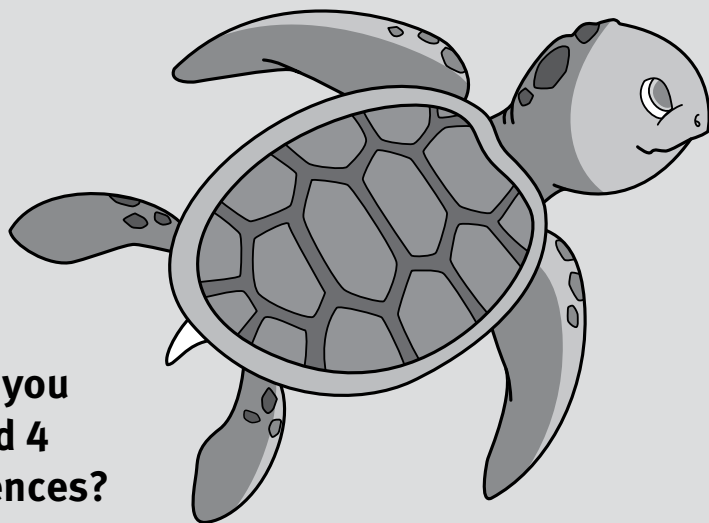
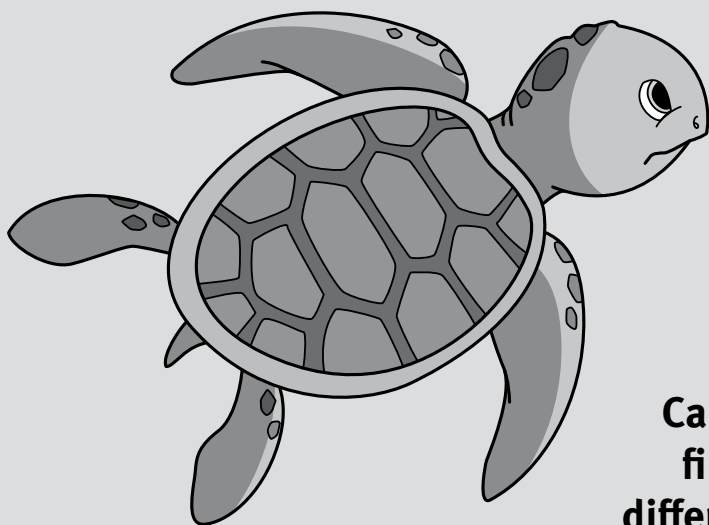
Across

3. Only one in one _____ hatchlings make it to breeding age (8)
7. Flatback turtles only nest in _____ (9)
10. _____ help to educate people about turtles (7)
12. 'Turtle tears' are a turtles way of getting rid of excess _____ (4)
13. Turtles have no _____ (5)
14. Loggerhead turtles are an _____ species (10)

FACT

Marine turtles drink seawater, and use special glands to excrete the salt as tears—it doesn't mean they're sad!

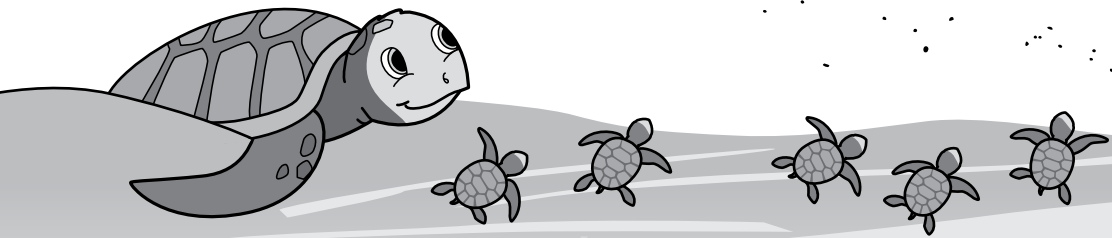
SPOT the DIFFERENCE



Can you
find 4
differences?



Can you find
4 differences?



MAZE

Hatchlings use natural light horizons to find their way to the ocean.
Help these hatchlings avoid the threats and make it safely to the water!

Start

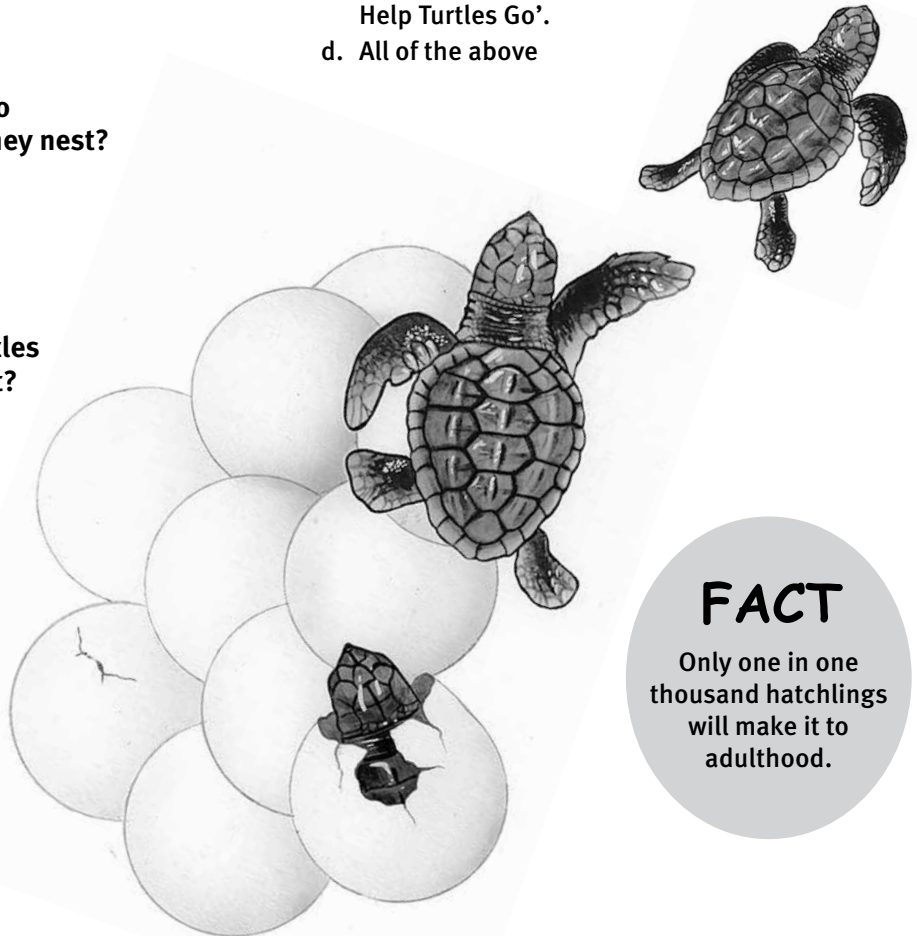
Oh no – torch light!

Wrong way – keep going!

Q U I Z

Test your trivia skills!

- 1 There are __ species of marine turtles in the world and __ occur in Australian waters.
 - a. 7 and 6
 - b. 300 and 10
 - c. 10 and 1
 - d. 25 and 20
- 2 How old approximately do loggerhead turtles need to be to breed?
 - a. 18–20 years
 - b. 30–35 years
 - c. 65–75 years
 - d. 99–110 years
- 3 What is the scientific name for a loggerhead?
 - a. *Bigus head turtle*
 - b. *Flickalotasand*
 - c. *Logger endangeri*
 - d. *Caretta caretta*
- 4 How many eggs on average do loggerheads lay each time they nest?
 - a. 3
 - b. 51
 - c. 125
 - d. 472
- 5 How long can loggerhead turtles stay underwater when at rest?
 - a. 1min
 - b. 45min
 - c. All day
 - d. A week
- 6 Flatback turtles only nest in which country?
 - a. Mexico
 - b. Australia
 - c. America
 - d. All of the above
- 7 Turtles have no teeth!
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 8 What is the longest recorded loggerhead nesting migration?
 - a. 11km
 - b. 560km
 - c. 1040km
 - d. 2600km
- 9 What happens to hatchlings when they reach the water?
 - a. They swim until they reach the East Australian Current.
 - b. They play in the surf until daytime.
 - c. They get hungry and stop to eat.
 - d. They wait for their Mum in the waves.
- 10 What can you do to help turtles?
 - a. 'Go Slow for those Below' when boating.
 - b. Don't litter—it might end up in our oceans.
 - c. Reduce light impacts to 'Cut the Glow to Help Turtles Go'.
 - d. All of the above



FACT

Only one in one thousand hatchlings will make it to adulthood.

Some of the answers to the quiz questions can be found on the following websites.

Some you will need to research further:

<https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/discovering-wildlife/turtle-watching>

<https://parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/mon-repos/attractions/mon-repos-turtle-encounter-tours#video>

