Science Fables

The Creatures of the Midnight Sea

Story Quiz

This quiz follows Nila and Owen as they learn how deep-sea creatures survive in darkness, cold water, and high pressure.

1. What special feature does an anglerfish use to attract prey?

A. A glowing lure on its head
B. Large colorful wings
C. A hard shell
D. A loud sound

2. What is bioluminescence?

A. The ability of an animal to swim quickly
B. Light made by a living organism
C. Heat produced by the ocean
D. Sunlight reflected from fish scales

3. Why do some deep-sea creatures produce light?

A. To warm the ocean
B. To attract food, scare predators, or find one another
C. To help plants grow
D. To make the water less salty

4. What conditions are found in the deep sea?

A. Bright, warm, and dry
B. Dark, cold, and under high pressure
C. Sunny, windy, and shallow
D. Hot, sandy, and filled with trees

5. Which adaptation helps some deep-sea animals survive?

A. Large eyes, stretchy mouths, soft bodies, or special ways to save energy
B. Feathers and wings
C. Thick fur and paws
D. Leaves that collect sunlight

Answer Key

1. A — A glowing lure on its head

An anglerfish uses a glowing lure on its head to attract prey.

2. B — Light made by a living organism

Bioluminescence is light made by a living organism.

3. B — To attract food, scare predators, or find one another

Some deep-sea creatures produce light to attract food, scare predators, or find one another.

4. B — Dark, cold, and under high pressure

The deep sea is dark, cold, and under high pressure.

5. A — Large eyes, stretchy mouths, soft bodies, or special ways to save energy

Large eyes, stretchy mouths, soft bodies, or special ways to save energy help some deep-sea animals survive.