

# CRABS ANSWERS

These questions can be given to the children as an independent task or alternatively, you may want to use them for discussion.

**Q1.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

How many species of crabs are there?

**A1.** Around 7,000.

**Q2.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

What do crabs have to do as they grow?

**A2.** They have to shed their exoskeletons.

**Q3.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

What is it called when crabs shed their exoskeletons?

**A3.** Moulting.

**Q4.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

Link each statement to the answer. One has been done for you.

**A4.**

Crabs are closely related to...	5.5 metres
Most crabs walk...	sideways
Crabs are...	in snail shells when they are young
The size of the world's biggest crab is...	lobsters, shrimps, woodlice and insects
Decorator crabs...	cover their shells with plants and animals
Coconut crabs live...	omnivorous



**Q5.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

What do crabs eat?

**A5.** Animals and plants (algae, worms and shellfish are mentioned).

**Q6.** Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

How do crabs help to keep the oceans clean?

**A6.** By clearing up waste food.

**Q7.** Spell and read words with contracted forms.

Find four words which are contracted, then write them below.

**A7.** Don't, it's, I'm and doesn't.

**Q8.** Tick three statements that are correct.

**A8.** Crabs belong to a big group of animals called crustaceans. ✓

A decorator crab covers its shell with plants and animals. ✓

All crabs recycle their shells.

Crabs moult their exoskeletons. ✓

