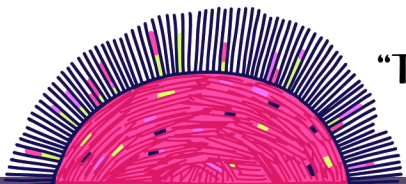
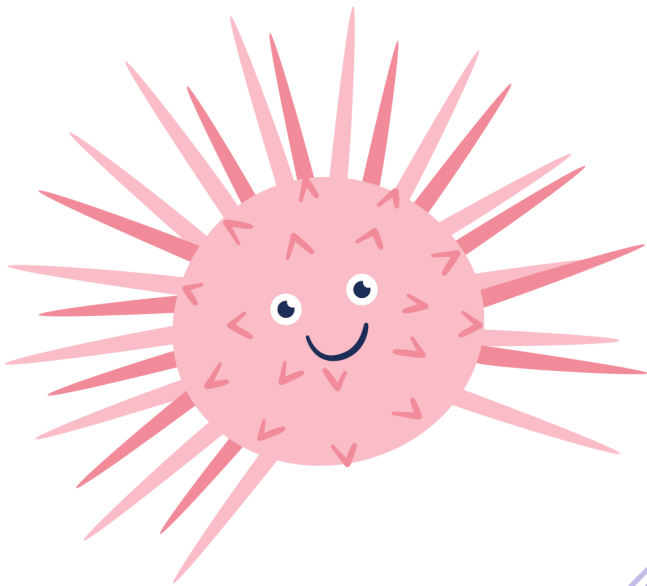


# The Sea Urchin Edition



"The sea is a desert of waves, a wilderness of water."

-Langston Hughes-

# a Message from the Mermaid and the FrostbitFins Pod

Anyone see where March went? I swear it was right here just a moment ago...

Though we may have been quiet - we have not been idle! We've been busily working on things behind the scenes - and we can't wait to show you! There's even a super sneak peek of something new below. :)

We're going to start our Vendor season a little earlier than usual this year. You'll be able to come see us at the What Women Want shopping expo at Sohi on April 29-30. After that, we will also be joining the Black Cauldron May 6-7 for Intuned to Bloom, and then? Its the event made for all Mermaids, Pirates and their fans - the Seward Mermaid Festival, May 19-20. This is the event that got us started, and we are thrilled to be attending again!

So - until next time - we are sending you mermaid wishes and starfish kisses!

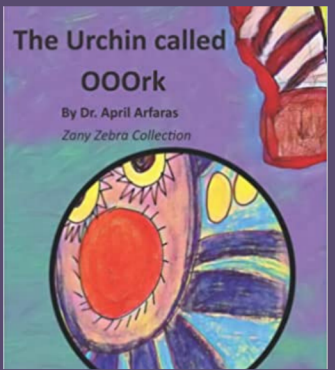
Your Seafriend, AnneMeridia and the Frostbit Fins Pod



## LET'S READ!

### The Urchin Called Oork by Dr. April Arfaras

Oh, oh, oh, this bubbly tale will dive into the depths of the creative imagination for kids of all ages. OORk is an adventuresome sea urchin who is named after the sounds he makes under the sea. Literary nerds call this "onomatopoeia." This rhyme-time tale is number 18 in the Zany Zebra Collection. Everyone is bubbly in this briny blue bubble bath under the sea. This includes a mermaid, diver, fish, and an anemone. All the interactive stories in the series include imaginative activities and a glossary to enhance each story.



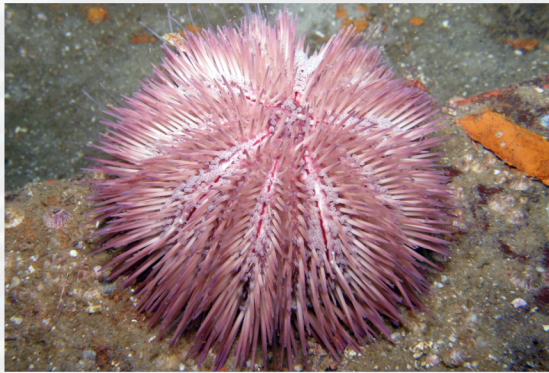
Want to learn more about Sea Urchins? - Visit your local library today!



# APRIL FIN FACTS WITH **SEA URCHINS**



- Sea urchins are members of the scientific group Echinodermata, meaning “spiny skinned”.
- The long, movable spines that cover the sea urchins body work with their tube like feet to help them to “walk”. They are also used to keep predators away.



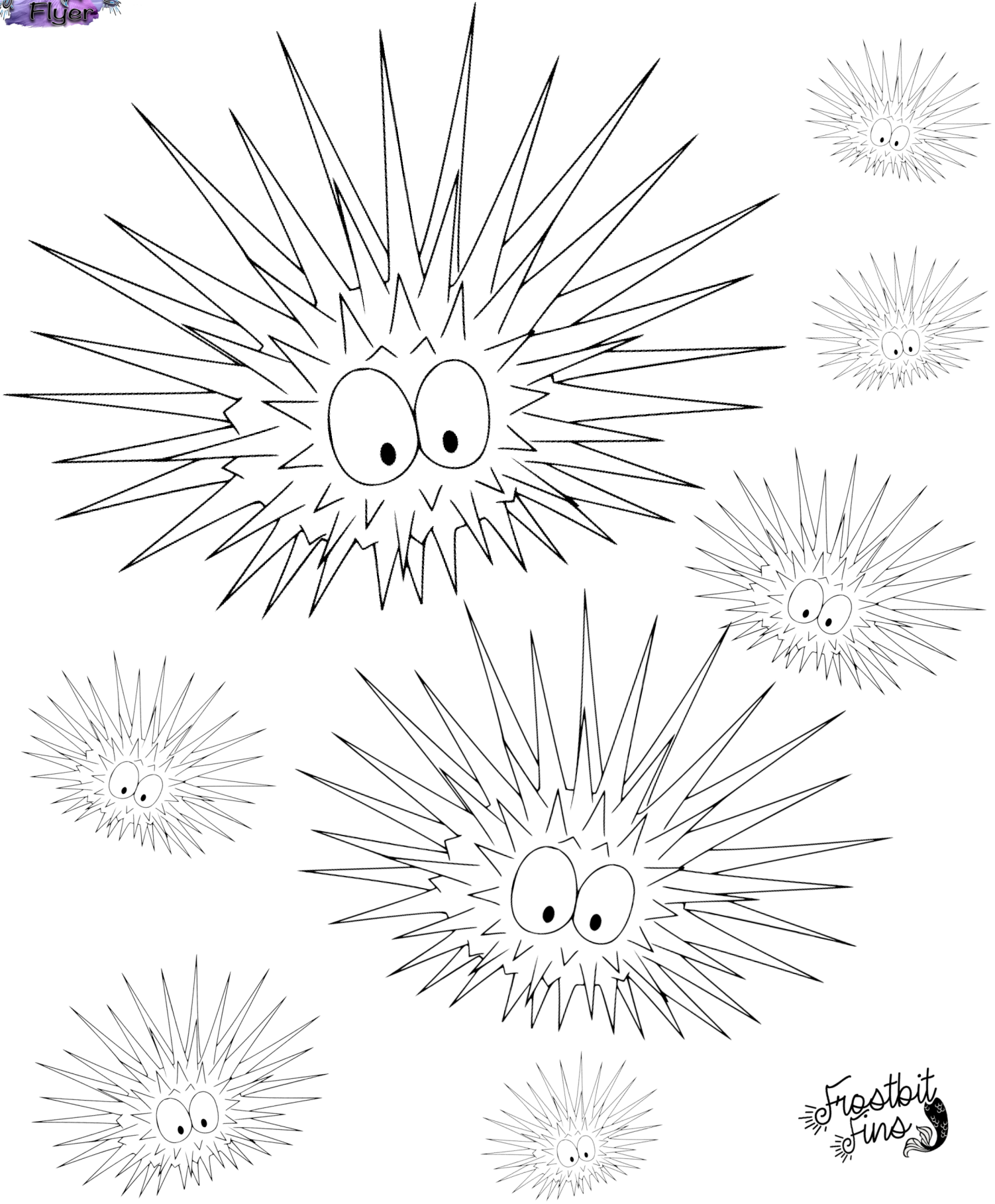
- There are more than 900 species of sea urchins.
- The mouth of sea urchins, called Aristotle’s lantern, has five jaws that have one tooth each. Some urchins have teeth so strong that they can drill holes in coral, rock, or even steel!

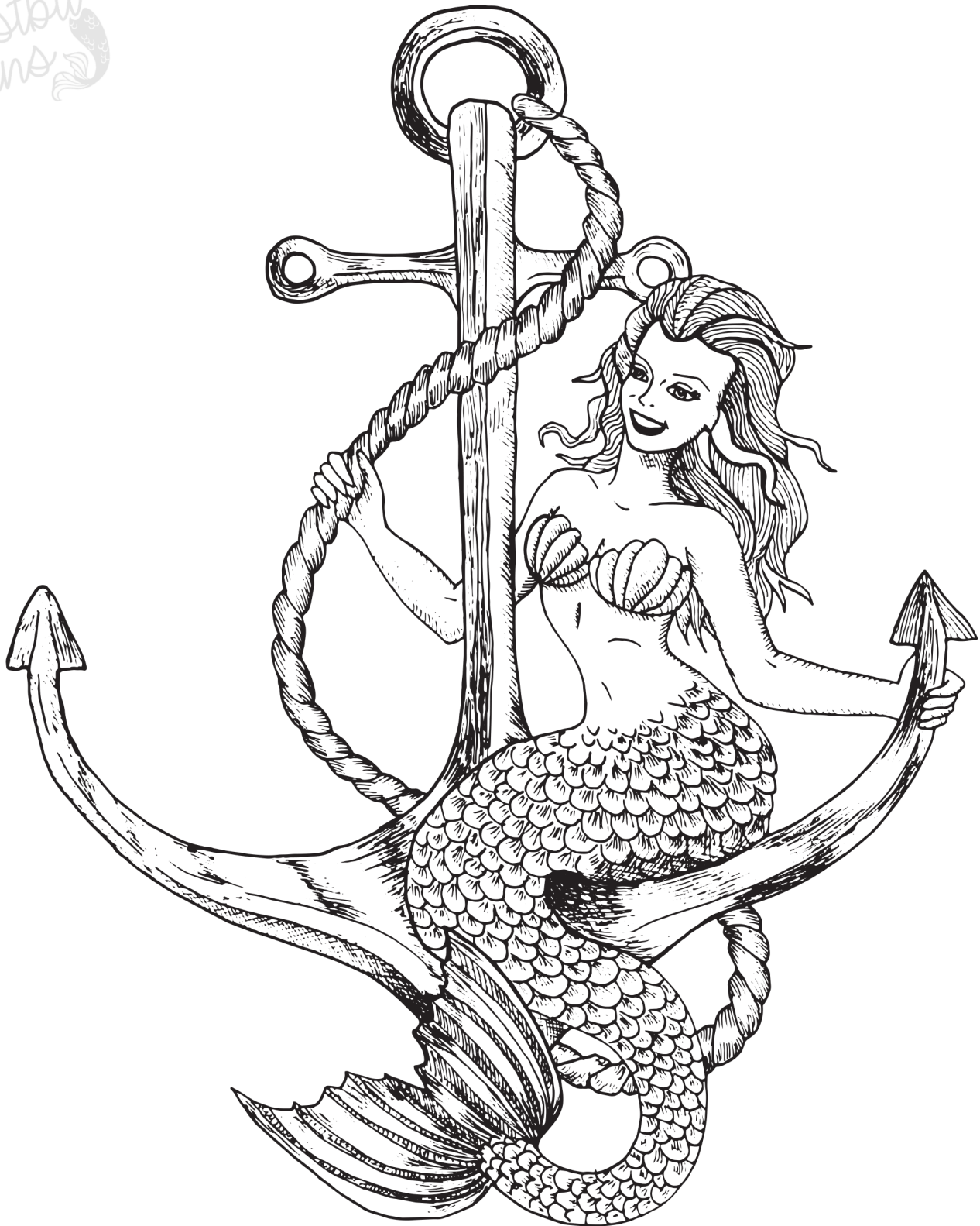


- Sea urchins can live up to 200 years old!
- Sea urchins are called that because hedgehogs used to be called urchins. Since they share a spiny appearance, sea urchins are also called sea hedgehogs.



- Sea lilies, sea cucumbers, sand dollars, and sea stars are all closely related to sea urchins.
- The size of sea urchins vary greatly. Their bodies can measure less than 1 inch side to side all the way up to 14 inches side to side. The spine of some sea urchins can grow up to 12 inches long!





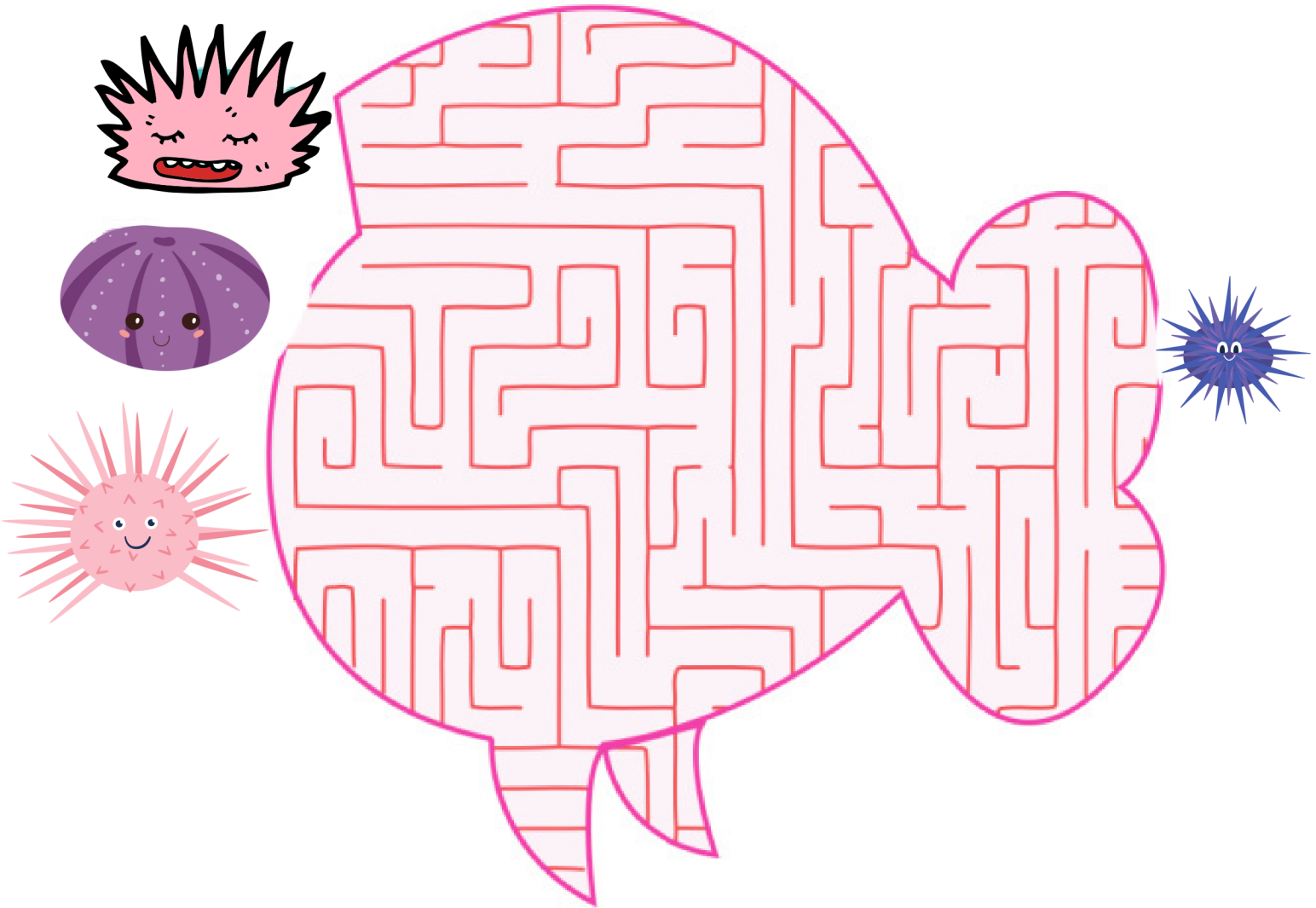
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Did you make the Guppy Goodies? Are you all finished with the coloring page(s)? Have mom and dad put them on social media and tag us @frostbitfins on Facebook and Instagram for a chance to be featured on our page and in next month's FeatherFinFlyer!

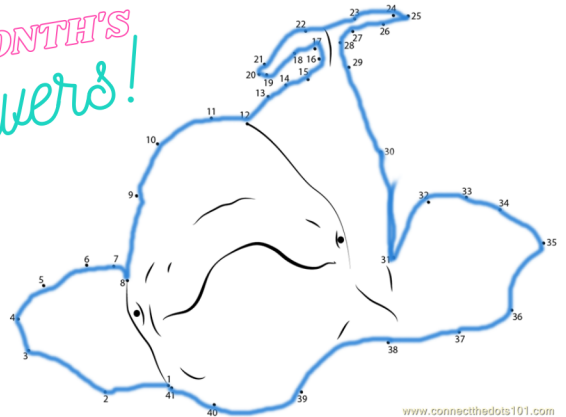


# SEA URCHIN MAZE

Help the sea urchin get through the maze to join his friends!



LAST MONTH'S  
Answers!



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# APRIL Special Dates!



## Birthday Club!

Wishing a FIN-tastic Birthday to:

- 04/01 Amy F
- 04/03 Willow
- 04/03 Wesley
- 04/08 Aria O
- 04/09 Eliza H
- 04/09 Daughn C
- 04/10 Leila D
- 04/11 Lillyanna M
- 04/16 Ophelia S
- 04/18 Addison P
- 04/19 Gensie K
- 04/19 Leoryk N
- 04/20 McKenzie K
- 04/21 Guinevere N
- 04/21 Holly N
- 04/23 Adriona N
- 04/26 Arabella B
- 04/26 Wren
- 04/27 Sunny W
- 04/28 Cambria N
- 04/29 Christina T

## Dates of Interest

- 04/01 April Fool's Day
- 04/03 World Aquatic Animal Day
- 04/05 Peeps Day
- 04/08 National Zoo Lovers Day
- 04/09 Easter
- 04/17 Go Fly a Kite Day
- 04/18 National Animal Crackers Day
- 04/21 Big Word Day
- 04/26 National Pretzel Day
- 04/28 National Blueberry Pie Day



Join the Frostbit Fins Birthday Club  
on our website at [FrostbitFins.com](http://FrostbitFins.com)



# Guppy Goodies

# Fin Funnies!



**SEA URCHIN COOKIES**

**Ingredients:**

- 11- ounce package chocolate chips
- 6- ounce package chow mein noodles

**Directions:**

- Pour chow mein noodles into a bowl.
- In a separate bowl, melt chocolate chips in the microwave 30 seconds at a time, stirring in between.
- Add melted chocolate to the noodles and mix until fully coated.
- Use a tablespoon to scoop the chocolate coated noodles onto wax paper, forming a sea urchin.
- Repeat until all of the mixture has been used.
- Refrigerate 30 minutes or until the chocolate hardens.

**Why did the mermaid wear a turtleneck?  
She didn't want anyone to sea urchin!**

**Where does a sea urchin look for a job?  
In the kelp- wanted ads!**

**Why did the sea urchin use a sand dollar  
at the store?**

**It was the only current- sea he had!**

# Fintastic Deals!

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