



Student Sheet: The Little Scallop

A classroom and event handout with kid-friendly facts and a larger coloring activity page.

What is a scallop?

A scallop is a shellfish that lives in shallow water. It can clap its shell to swim away from danger.

What is seagrass?

Seagrass is a real underwater plant. It gives scallops, fish, and crabs a safe place to live and grow.

Why does clean water matter?

Seagrass needs sunlight. Clean, clear water helps sunlight reach the plants below the surface.

Scallop facts

- A bay scallop usually lives about one year.
- Baby scallops drift in the water before settling in seagrass.
- People should release smaller scallops so they can grow.

Water Hero Pledge

- I will not litter.
- I will help keep storm drains clean.
- I will protect seagrass.
- I will tell someone one scallop fact today.

Be a Water Hero!

Clean water helps seagrass grow, and healthy seagrass helps scallops, fish, and crabs have a safe place to live.



Coloring Page

A larger coloring activity page for classroom use, event tables, and youth outreach.

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Protect Clean Water

Protect Seagrass

If it fits through, let it grow!

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