

BUSI THE BUTTERFLYFISH

Hello there,
my name is Busi.
I'm a butterfly fish.



Come and join me and my friends
on a coral reef in
Sodwana Bay
in northern KwaZulu-Natal in
South Africa.

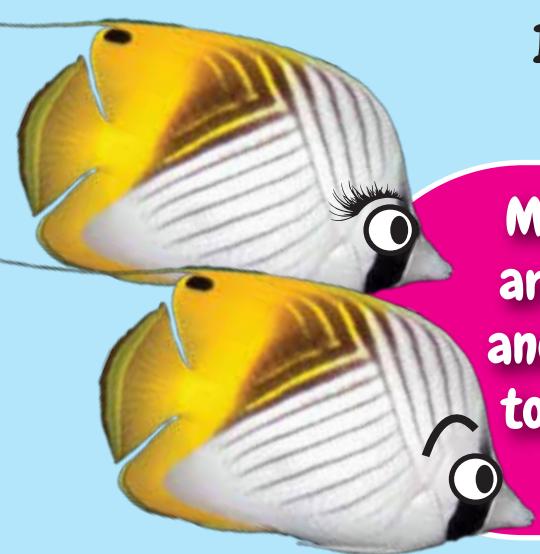


When you visit me, please
don't break or take away
any of the coral.



It's the only home I have, and if people break
it, it takes a long time to grow again.

My friend and I
are hungry now
and we are going
to look for some
food.



We each have a pointed snout with a small
mouth that has tiny teeth in each jaw.



With these we can peck our food from between the rocks and coral.



We are lucky because most of the other fish on the reef cannot reach the food we can.

We eat very small crabs, marine worms, shrimps, and sometimes small pieces of coral.



With our very small mouths it takes us a long time

to get the food we need.

We swim around the reef during the day as we feed



and at night we sleep in safe places on the reef.

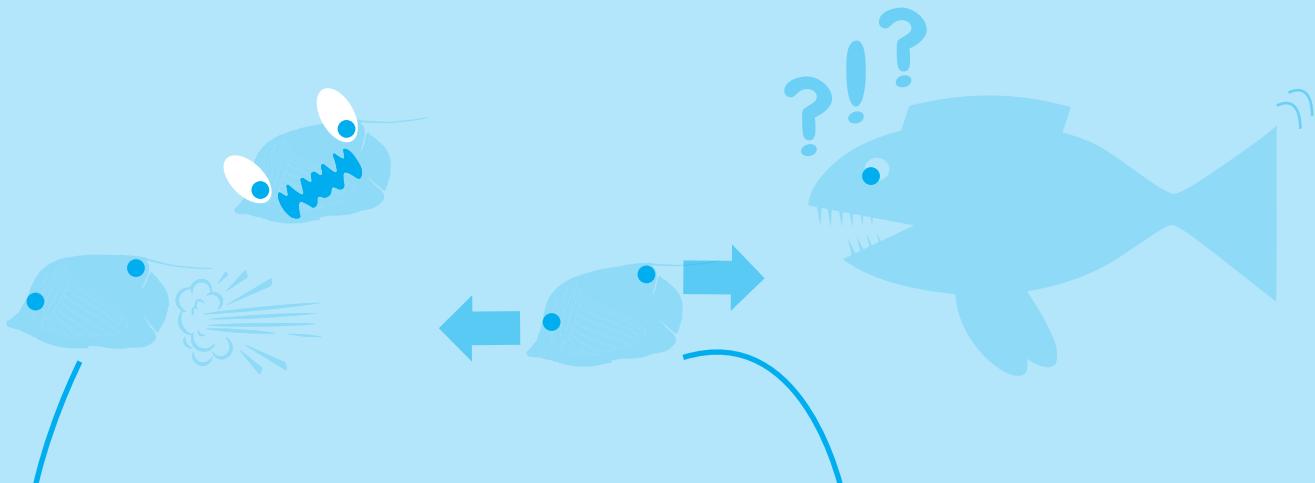
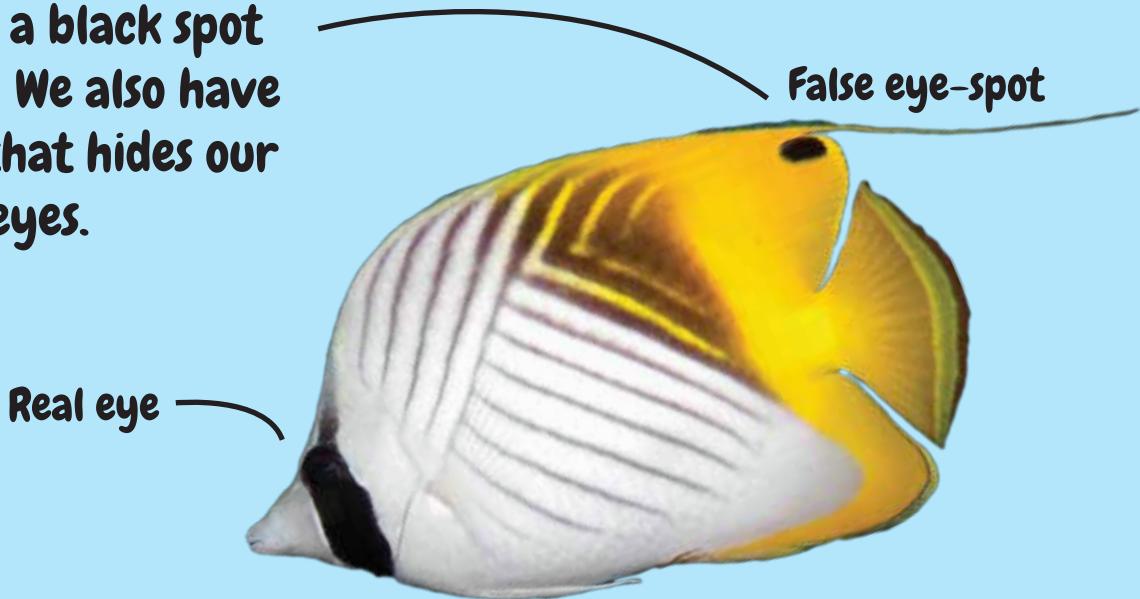


We are only **little fish**, and sometimes the **bigger fish** want to eat us.



That's why some of my cousins and I use a smart trick to fool them.

If you look at us, you'll find that we have a black spot near our tails. We also have a black band that hides our real eyes.



The false eye-spot confuses the bigger fish into thinking our heads are in a different place.

This special trick gives us a chance to quickly swim away to safety. Lucky for us that this trick works!

QUESTIONS

A

- 1) Where does Busi live?
- 2) Describe her mouth.
- 3) Where does Busi find her food?
- 4) Name three things Busi eats.
- 5) How do Busi and her cousins trick the bigger fish?
- 6) Why must we protect coral when we visit any reef?

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B

- 1) There are 28 butterfly fish on the coral reef and 16 swim away. How many are left?
- 2) If 18 fish swim on the reef and 12 fish are caught, how many fish are left on the reef?
- 3) 36 fish - 14 fish =
- 4) What is the sum of 17, 13 and 5?
- 5) Each butterfly fish has 2 eyes and 2 false eyes. How many eyes do 10 butterfly fish have?

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ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Write these words in alphabetical order.

coral
eggs

anemone
fin

reef
teeth

shrimps
mouth

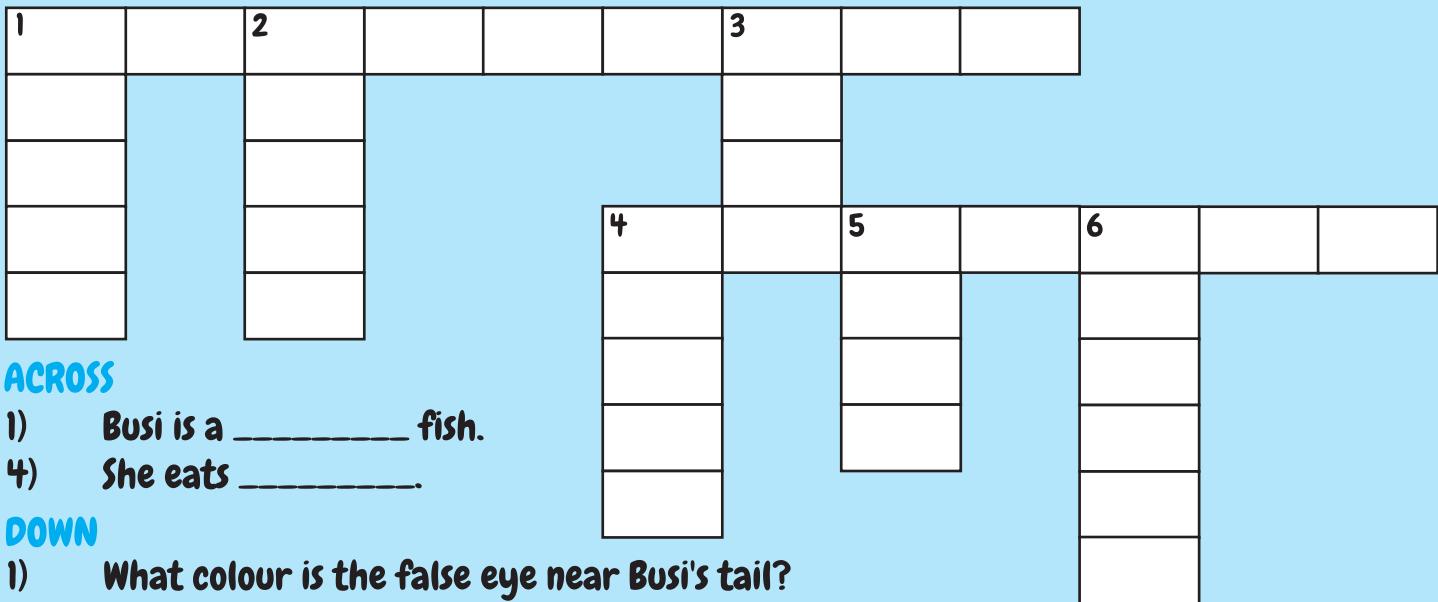
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5) _____ 6) _____

7) _____ 8) _____

CROSSWORD



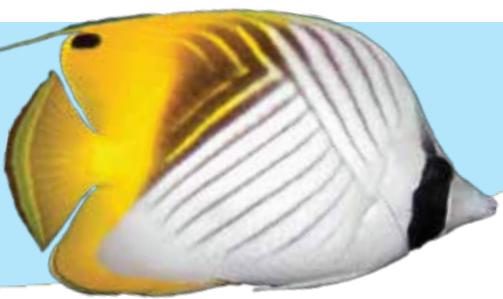
ACROSS

- 1) Busi is a _____ fish.
4) She eats _____.

DOWN

- 1) What colour is the false eye near Busi's tail?
2) What do we find in her mouth?
3) Busi is a butterfly_____.
4) Does she eat big or small crabs?
5) She lives on the coral_____.
6) Busi eats m_____ worms.

Draw Busi the Butterflyfish



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