

UCYRIL I-COELACANTH

Sanibonani,
Igama lami ngingu Cyril
icoelacanth.



Ngihlala e Chaka Canyon ngase Cape Vidal eSimangaliso
Marine Protected Area (indawo ivikelekile olwandle) enyakatho
ne KwaZulu-Natal eNingizimu Africa. ★



UTHI BEWAZI NJE?

INingizimu Afrika inama Canyon
angaphezulu kwamashumi amahlanu (50)
atholakala ngaphansi kwamanzi Kanye
nezintaba eziyisikhombisa (7) ngaphansi
kolwandle.

**AWUCABANGE NJE- INTABA
NGAPHANSI KOLWANDLE!**

Ososayensi basebenzisa imisindo eyenanelayo (njenge hlengethwa) ukuze
bezokwazi ukubona okungaphansi kolwandle. Nansi indlela ebukeya ngayo
iCanyon kwenye yezimephu zabo - **lezizindawo eziluhlaza kakhulu isekujuleni.**





iCoelacanth ngayinye inephethini yayo yodwa. Amabala nephethini yami awafani naka Nandi no Shaka, abangamaCoelacanth ahlala emgedeni ongumakhelwane wami.



Ososayensi babecabanga ukuthi sesashabalalanjengama dayinaso, kodwa ngo 1938 iCoelacanth yabanjwa ngumdobi ngase East London. Awucabange nje ukuthi ososayensi babejabule kanjani ukuthola ukuthi sisekhona! Sesibekhona iminyaka engaphezulu kwe 300 000 000 – ngaphambili kokubakhona kwama dinayiso!

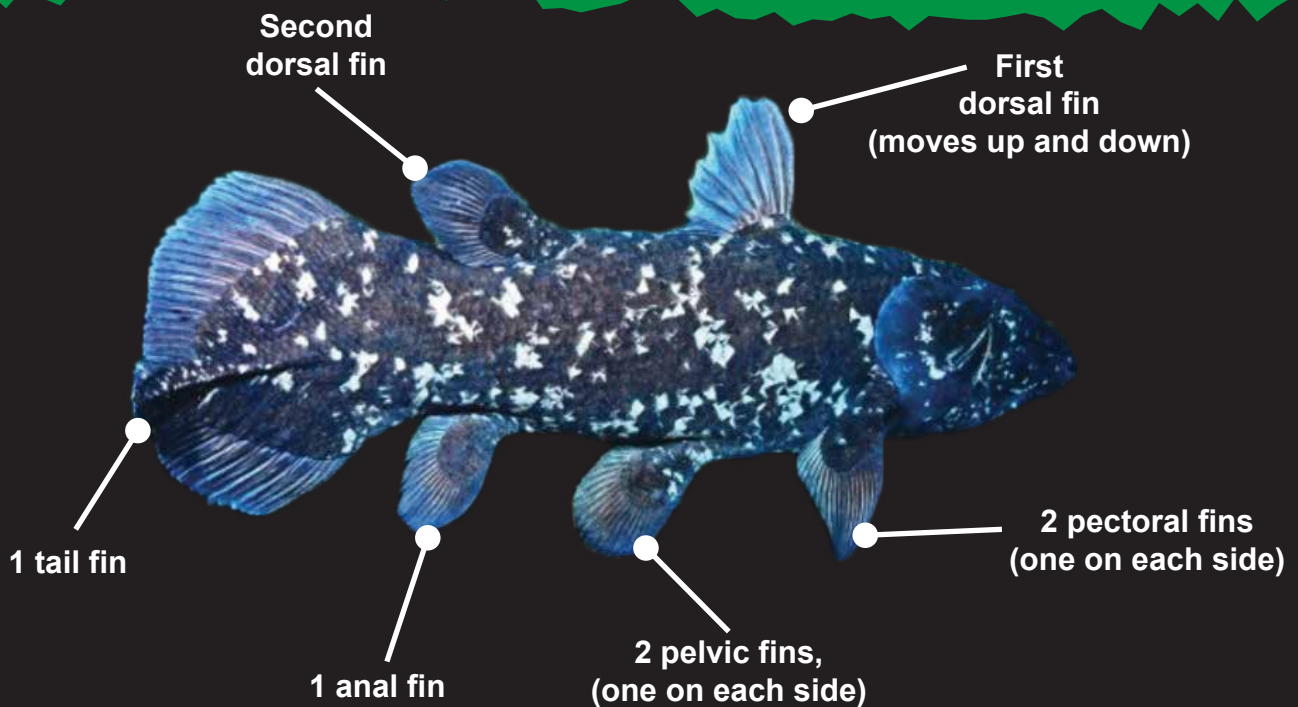


Lososayensi, **uMarjorie Courtney Latimer**, waba ngowokuqala owabona ukuthi kanti sisaphila ngempela. Waze wanobuhlakani umuntu wesimame!



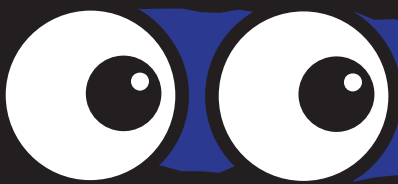
Singakhula sifinyelele kumamitha amabili ubude (2m) bese ngesisindo singaba ikhulu lamakhilo (100).

Sinamafini (amaphikwana) ayisishiyagalombili (8), – amabili (2) emhlane (abizwa ngama dorsal fin), amabili (2) agqame emaceleni abizwa ngama pectoral fins (lilodwa ngala nangala), amabili (2) ngaphansi abizwa ngama pelvic fin, linye ngasemsileni ngaphansi elaziwa nge anal fin, bese kuba ngelingumsila elinamandla kakhulu elaziwa nge tail fin.



Sibhukuda ngendlela engajwayelekile njengomdanso wangaphansi kwamanzi. Kubukeka sengathi 'siyahamba' ngamafini ethu.

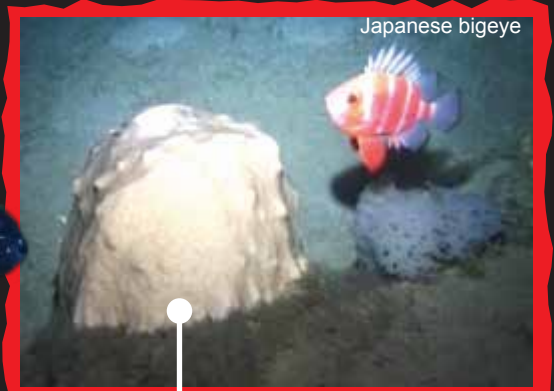
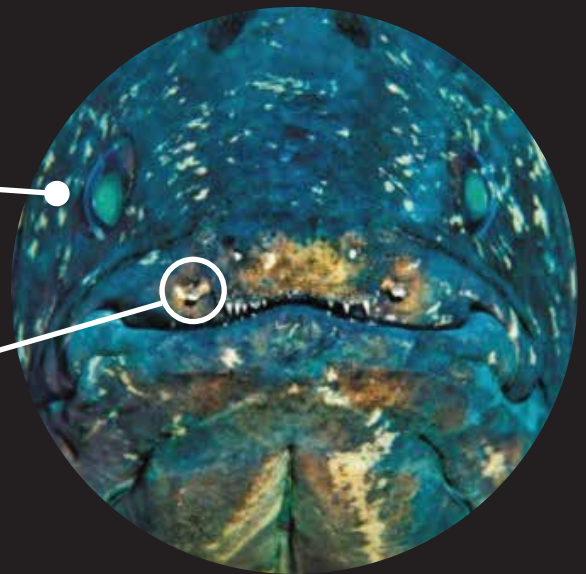
AmaCoelacanth akhuthala ebusuku.
Sizihlalela emigedeni emini bese siphume
ebusuku ngoba sesiyozingela izinhlanzi
kanye nama skwidi.



Sibona kahle
ebumnyameni.

Siyakwazi nokuzwa okuphilayo kanye
neminyakazo ngesitho sethu **esinomuzwa**
okhethekile oyingqayizivele.

Ososayensi bawubiza nge **rostral organ** futhi
bacabanga nokuthi yiso lesisitho
esisisebenzisayo ukuthola ukudla.



Japanese bigeye



Pineapple fish

ESimangaliso, sivakashela izindawo
ezimangazayo zeziponji ezihlala **ngaphansi**
kolwandle emamitheni angaba phakathi
kwekhulu namashumi amathathu (130)
kuya kwikhulu namashumi
ayisishiyagalombili (180) wamamitha.

Iziponji izilwanyana ezikwazi ukusefa
amanzi angafinyelela ezinkulungwane
eziningi zamalitha wamanzi ngosuku.
Kantike ofishi bathanda kabi ukuzicashela
kuleziponji ezimangazayo.

IMIBUZO

1. Uhlala kuphi uCyril?
2. Inamafini amangaki iCoelacanth?
3. Adlani amaCoelacanth?
4. Ucabanga ukuthi amaCoelacanth akuthola kanjani ukudla kwawo?
5. Ungawahlukanisa kanjani amaCoelacanth?

IMIBUZO

1. Uma uCyril ethola izinhlanzi ezingama shumi amathathu nanye (31) okuthiwa ama lantern fish bese edla eziyishumi nane (14), kusala amanga ki ama lantern fish?
2. Ekuseni, uCyril ubhukuda ekujuleni kwamamitha angama khulu amane (400) lapho adla khona ama skwidi, bese abuyele emgedeni wakhe ose kujuleni kwamamitha ayikhulu neshumi (110), uhambe amamitha amangaki ukwenyuka?
3. Ekuseni, uCyril ubhukuda asuke emgedeni wakhe ongamamitha ayikhulu neshumi (110), ehle amamitha angama amashumi amathathu nesihlanu(35) eya lapho kutholakala khona iziponji. Zisekujuleni okuyibanga elingakanani iziponji?
4. Uma uCyril enamanye amaCoelacanth amahl anu emgedeni wakhe, asuke emangaki amafini esewonke?

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