Eels

Name:

Eel Facts

- Eels are fish that look like snakes.
- Eels live in freshwater and saltwater.
- An eel's skin is smooth and slimy. They usually don't have any scales.



- Eels can swim forwards as well as backwards.
- Eels can travel on land for short distances.
- Some species of eels travel thousands of kilometres to breed.
- Young eels are called elvers.
- Eels are carnivores and eat fish, octopuses, and crabs.
- Eel is a delicacy in many cultures. Smoked eel is very popular.
- Electric eels are not actually eels at all.

Do you know any more interesting facts about eels?

Eel Movements

Eels have muscular, snake-like bodies and are graceful swimmers. Think about how an eel swims, bending its body and sliding through the water.

Move your body like an eel.

Create a short 'eel' dance with your friends.

Drawing

Moray eels live in holes in rocks. They hide and wait for their prey to swim by. Moray eels have long sharp canine teeth and strong jaws which they use to grab fish, crabs and octopuses.

The mouth of a moray eel is usually open. This allows water to flow over its gills so it can breathe.

Draw a picture of a moray eel waiting to catch a crab.

Eel Words

Match each 'eel' word with its meaning.

peel	wheels	feel	kneel	
	wheelbarrow	wheelcha	ir	
Resting on your knees:				
Touching	or handling son	nething:		
Taking the skin off an orange:				
A bike or	a car moves on t	hese:		
This has two handles and one wheel and is used to				

This is used to move someone who is sick or disabled:

Graphs

move things: _____

Jimmy and his friends went fishing for eels. The graph shows how many eels they caught each day.

Monday	222	
Tuesday	2222	
Wednesday	222	
Thursday	2222	
Friday	222222	

How many eels were caught on Tuesday?

How many eels were caught on Thursday

On what day did they catch the most eels?

On what day did they catch the least eels?

How many eels did they catch altogether?