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ACTIVITY SHEET



Hi, my name is Nelly and I'm here to guide you through the Ephemera Activity Sheet!

EPHEMERA BILLABONG

Ephemera Billabong is an artwork created by Townsville primary school students in collaboration with Townsville City Galleries and local artists Erin Ricardo and John Bradshaw.

In this fun and ephemeral schools project, students created a range of paper clay frogs, mushrooms, and foam birds to add to the billabong!

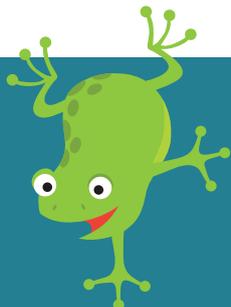
Visit the *Ephemera Billabong* on The Strand and count how many birds you see flying around the billabong!



Image: Townsville Primary School Students with Erin Ricardo and John Bradshaw, *Ephemera Billabong* [detail] 2023, air dry paper clay, foam, oil pastels, coloured pens, various dimensions
Photography: Andrew Rankin

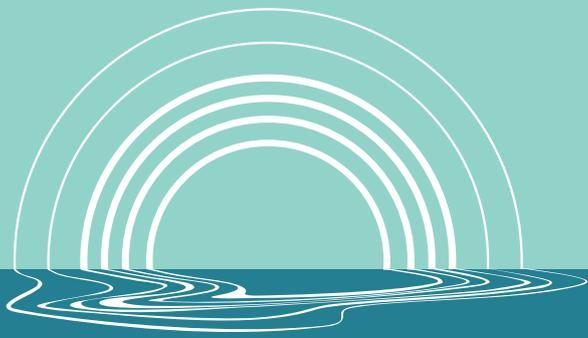
How many birds did you see? _____

Jellyfish © Selwyn Johnson 2022



Did you know that frogs can breathe through their skin!?





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REEFlection

Have you seen the artwork *REEFlection* by MealieArt!? This artwork is made from everyday plastic items that the artist has collected, found and rescued from the environment. This artwork has been put together to form a coral and ocean life wonderland.

The artist's aim is for this sculpture to be a discussion piece in a crucial time of Earth's struggle for change. This installation looks at the effects plastic has on our ocean eco-systems and the creatures reliant on the reefs, oceans and waterways.



Image: MealieArt, *REEFlection* 2022, plastic, 150 x 250 x 300 cm
Image courtesy of the artist

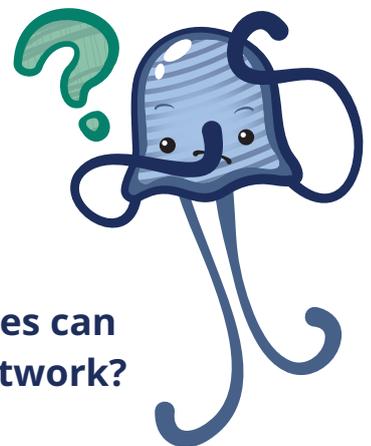
Can you name three different kinds of recycled materials that you can spot in this artwork?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

**What sea creatures can you see in this artwork?
Name three:**

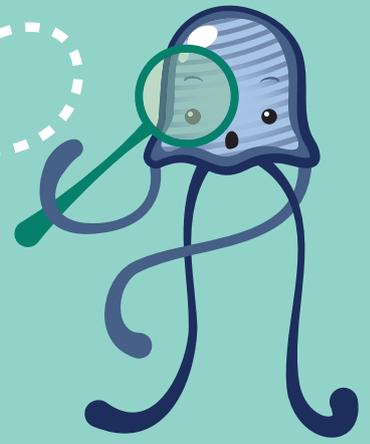
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Think about what you can do to help the environment. How could you limit or reuse the plastic waste you produce?

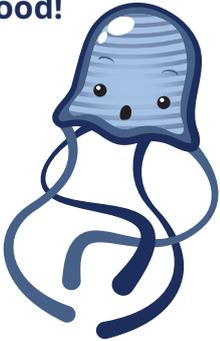


Nelly's TREASURE HUNT

Have you had a go at the Nelly the Jelly's Treasure Hunt yet?
Grab an *Ephemera* map from the information booth at Strand Park
and find the Treasure Hunt on the back!
See if you can follow the clues to unlock the treasure!



Did you know
that our *Ephemera*
mascot, Nelly is
inspired by a box
jellyfish travelling
through the ocean
currents looking
for food!



DID YOU KNOW!?

That jellyfish aren't really fish!?

Even though their name suggests otherwise, they are actually considered to be plankton (which means 'drifter' or 'wanderer') and are closely related to sea anemones and corals, which is why some scientists prefer to call them "jellies" or "sea jellies" instead!

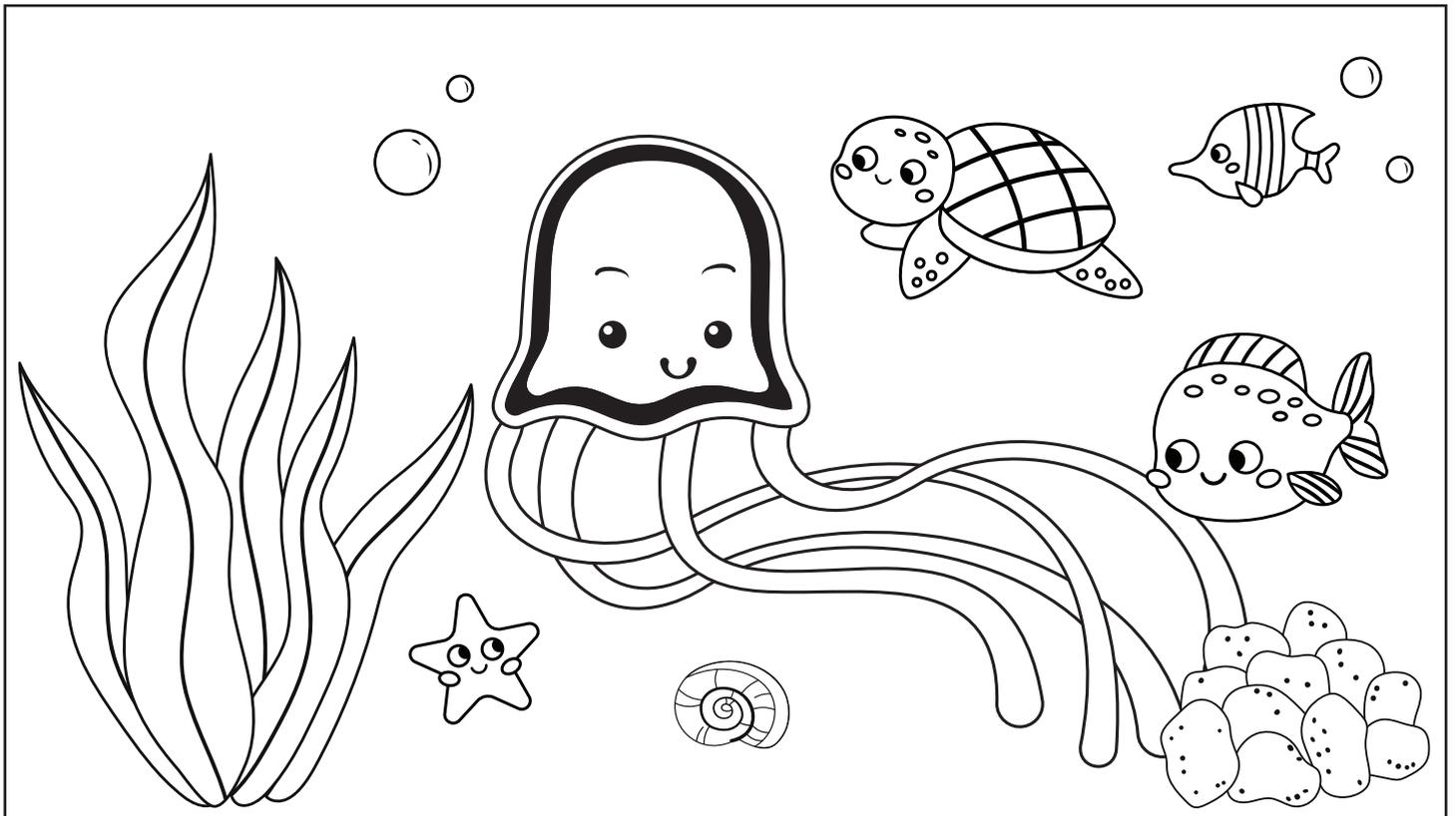
That jellyfish can glow in the dark!?

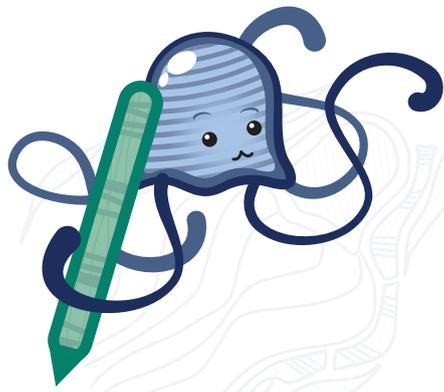
Around half of all jellyfish are bioluminescent, meaning they can produce light. The vibrant, colourful hues these animals emit when they glow in the dark aren't accidental—they use this light to defend against predators and attract prey!

That all jellyfish have venom in their tentacles!?

The venom is used to either instantly stun or kill their prey, preventing damage to their delicate tentacles. Whilst we aren't their prey, their venom is very harmful to humans, with the box jellyfish being the deadliest. Be jelly aware and don't ever touch them.

What bright colours will you add to the jellyfish below?





FIND A WORD

Bioluminescent

Ephemera
Jellyfish
The Strand
Billabong

Treasure
Sculpture
Artwork
Ocean
Exhibition

Parrot
Frog
Tentacles
Recycle

F	Q	T	E	N	T	A	C	L	E	S	W	S	B	R
F	Y	M	E	J	E	L	L	Y	F	I	S	H	I	L
B	I	L	L	A	B	O	N	G	H	X	R	E	O	C
D	M	T	N	R	U	W	J	O	L	B	S	F	L	I
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Perc Tucker Regional Gallery
 Cnr Denham and Flinders Street,
 Townsville QLD 4810
 Tue - Fri: 10am - 5pm
 Sat - Sun: 10am - 1pm

Pinnacles Gallery
 Riverway Arts Centre,
 20 Village Boulevard,
 Thuringowa Central QLD 4817
 Mon - Fri: 9am - 5pm
 Sat: 9am - 3pm
 Sun: 9am - 1pm

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