A goldfish is a small reddish-golden, limbless cold-blooded vertebrate animal with gills and fins living wholly in water. The body is chunky and rounded with relatively large visible scales. Healthy Goldfish are long-living fish which should achieve over 10-15 years in good care, some to around 20-40 years old. Common Goldfish should get between 10"-12" in body length.

The daily life of a goldfish includes swim, eat, swim, eat, poop, swim, eat, poop.... Goldfish do sleep but they do not have eyelids so they go into a less active state.

Goldfish are also territorial creatures at times and will attack other fish. Goldfish need specific water conditions for it to survive in it.