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# Seashells

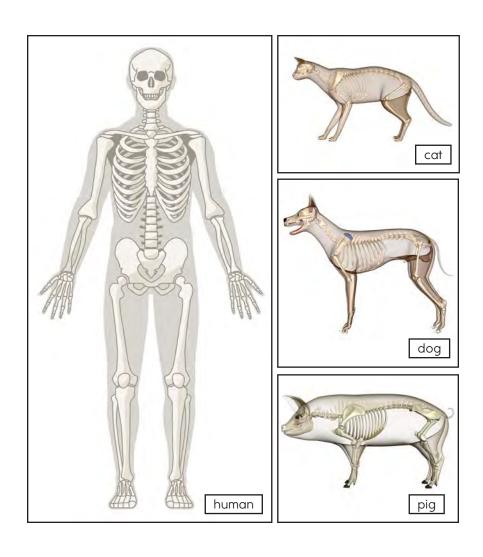


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# **Focus Question**

How do seashells help mollusks?



Some animals grow bones inside their body. These bones are called a skeleton.



Some animals grow bones outside their body.

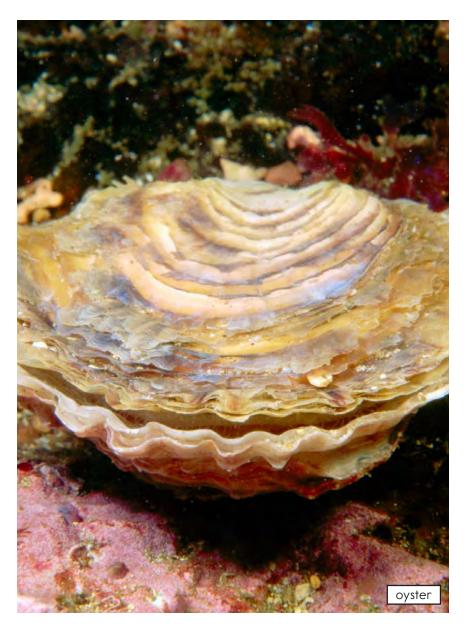
These bones are called shells.



Some animals that live in the ocean grow seashells. These animals are called mollusks.



Mollusks are soft, but their seashells are hard, like bones. Seashells protect mollusks from other animals. Seashells are also homes for mollusks.



This mollusk lives in a seashell. Its seashell is bumpy.



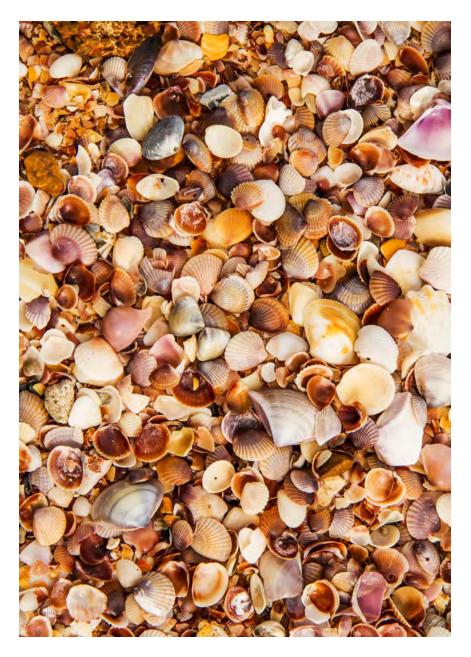
This mollusk lives in a seashell. Its seashell is striped.



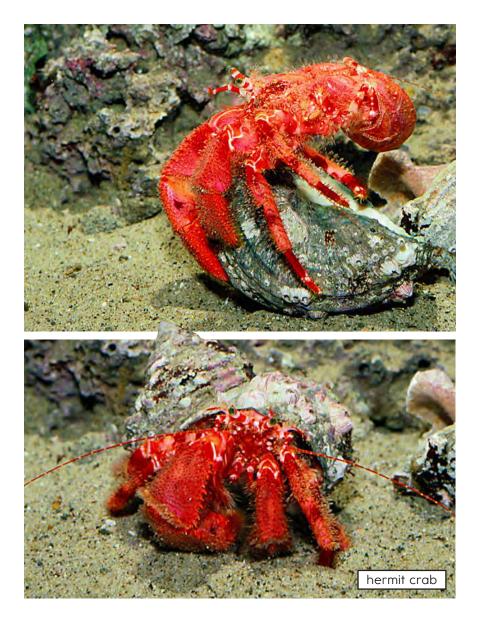
This mollusk lives in a seashell. Its seashell is spotted.



This mollusk lives in a seashell. Its seashell is very large.



When mollusks die, they leave their shells behind.



Now other animals may live in seashells that mollusks have left behind.

### **Words to Know**

bumpy shells

mollusks skeleton

protect spotted

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