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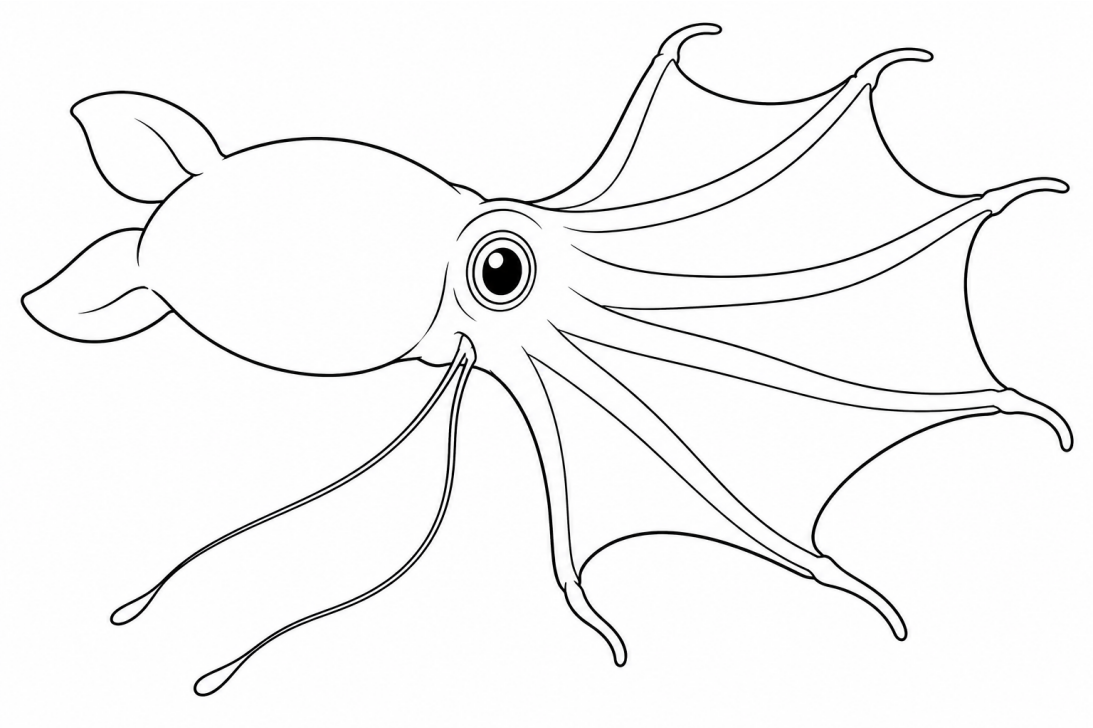
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Color & Discover

A Vampire That Doesn't Bite! Meet the Vampire Squid

Explorer name: _____

Color your vampire squid. Imagine its cloak in the deep sea!



THREE FASCINATING FACTS

1. **A surprising name!**
   It is neither a vampire nor a true squid.

2. **An ocean cleanup crew.**
   It collects marine snow: tiny bits drifting down from above.

3. **Small, with a big surprise!**
   It grows to about 12 inches (30 cm) and can release glowing slime.

TRACE IT. THEN WRITE IT!

VAMPIRE SQUID



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Explorer Puzzles

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DEEP-SEA WORD SEARCH

Find six words. Look across or down. Circle each one!

C	L	O	A	K	E	V	B	E	D
R	H	W	Y	E	E	X	G	V	B
E	H	R	X	O	Q	N	L	S	C
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WORDS TO FIND

CLOAK

GLOW

SNOW

ARMS

DEEP

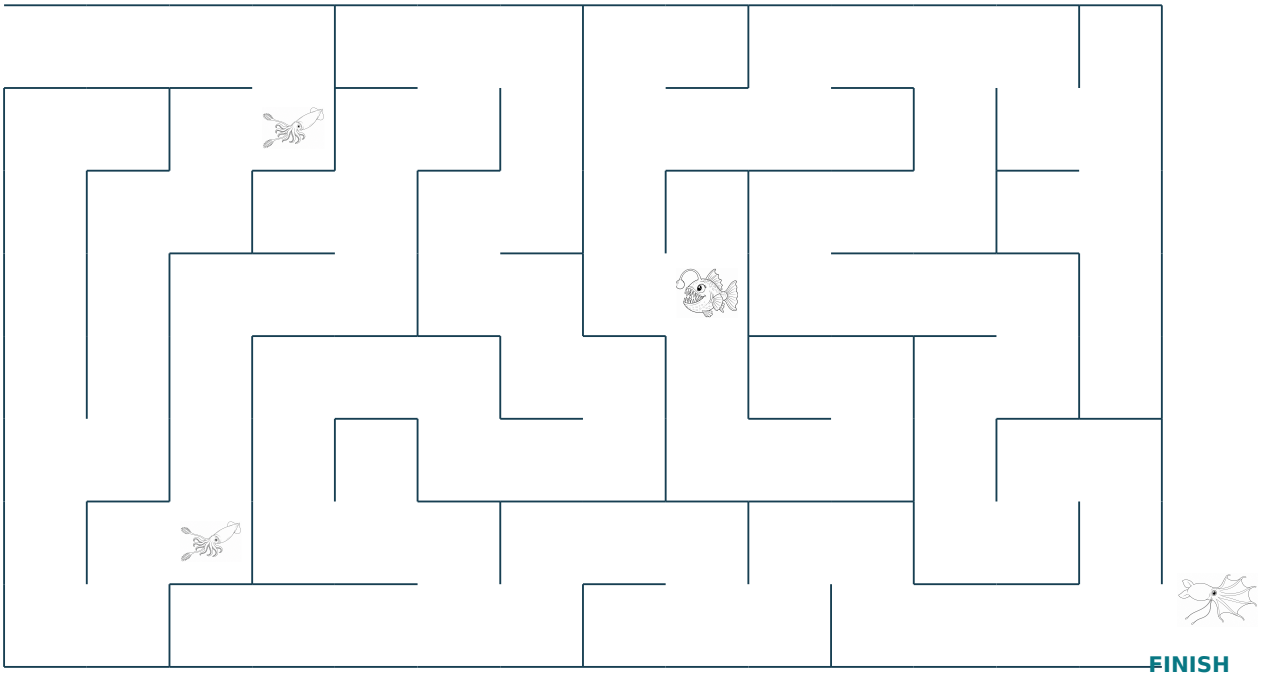
OCEAN

SUBMERSIBLE MAZE

Help Jaxon reach the vampire squid. Trace a path from START to FINISH.

START





FINISH



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Explorer Challenge

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LISTEN, THINK & ANSWER

1. Does a vampire squid drink blood?

2. What is the drifting food it collects called?

3. About how long can a vampire squid grow?

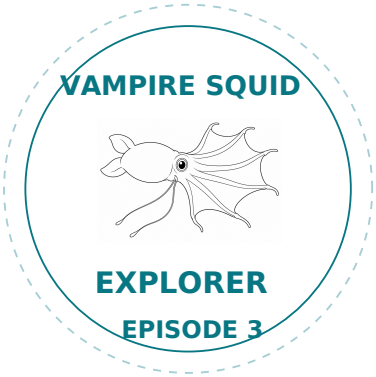
DRAW YOUR DISCOVERY

Draw a vampire squid in the deep sea, surrounded by marine snow.

THE RULER-SIZE CHALLENGE

With a grown-up, measure 12 inches (30 cm) on a ruler.
Cut a piece of string that length. Place it beside your hand!
Imagine a vampire squid about that long floating in the deep sea.

12 inches (30 cm) is its approximate maximum total length.



Collect your badge! Adult help to cut.

MISSION COMPLETE!

☐ I listened ☐ I discovered ☐ I created

GROWN-UP ANSWER GUIDE

1. No. 2. Marine snow. 3. About 12 inches (30 cm).

Facts: MBARI & Monterey Bay Aquarium
mbari.org/animal/vampire-squid/
Stylized artwork for coloring.