Ocean Animal Drawing: Compare Fish Fins, Jellyfish Tentacles, and Shell Spirals

Topic reference / ordinary illustration



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Worked example / complete source key

On a sheet of paper, draw a fish panel with a horizontal midline, a body taper from a deep front to a narrow tail base, a dorsal fin above the midline, an anal fin below near the tail, a pectoral fan behind the head, and a forked tail. Then add one comparison box showing the dorsal fin shape redrawn smaller.

Answer: The panel shows a tapered body with a short-based dorsal fin above the midline, an anal fin below near the tail, a pectoral fan behind the head, and a forked tail. The comparison box contains a smaller redrawn dorsal fin with a note that its base is short.

Reason: Placing fins with short bases keeps the body taper visible, and the comparison box isolates one fin shape so differences can be checked without redrawing the whole fish.

Check: Verify that the midline is horizontal, no fin base crosses the midline, the tail is forked, and the comparison box is smaller than the panel with a margin of at least two x-heights.