

Life Science Stories

Lakes & Seas

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Earth is mostly covered by water. Water covers about 70% of our world. Many plants and animals live in the water.



Lakes are small bodies of fresh water on land. They are freshwater. They fill in with river water, rain, springs, or runoff water that comes down hills and mountains. Water in lakes gets to the sea by rivers. In the sea it mixes with saltwater. In freshwater you might find trout, frogs, perch, carp, and seaweed.



Seas and oceans are large bodies of water. They are saltwater. Different kinds of animals and plants live in saltwater and freshwater. Seas can also be very deep, sometimes miles deep! You can find whales, sharks, dolphins, stingrays, jellyfish, lobsters, and seaweed in saltwater.

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