## Porci's Ocean Patrol Activity Sheet



#### **Zooplankton Comprehension (Level 2)**

Write or circle the correct answer for each question/statement.

- How do zooplankton stay safe in the ocean?
  They use the ultimate disguise, invisibility. They become as clear as the ocean itself,
  blending in perfectly to avoid being spotted.
- 2. How do plankton move around the ocean?
  - a) They are super-fast swimmers
  - b) They drift around with the currents
  - c) They catch a ride with some fish
- 3. List 3 facts about phytoplankton.

### Any combination of the following:

- It is a tiny plant-like algae
- Like the solar panels of the sea, soaking up the sunshine to make energy
- They are eaten by zooplankton
- They are so small you need a microscope to see them
- They take in carbon dioxide and turn it into fresh oxygen for us to breathe
- They start the ocean food chains
- 4. List two animals that start their life as zooplankton.

#### Crabs, urchins, jellyfish

- 5. How many phytoplankton are there in the ocean?
  - a) A few hundred
  - b) A few thousand
  - c) A billion billion billion

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6. Fill in the squares to complete this food chain to show the flow of energy in the ocean. Draw a picture of each link. Use these words to fill in the squares: phytoplankton, sun, whale, zooplankton. Correct order: Sun → Phytoplankton → Zooplankton → Whale

