Kingdom Animalia

ANIMAL PHYLA & GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

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"Sponges"

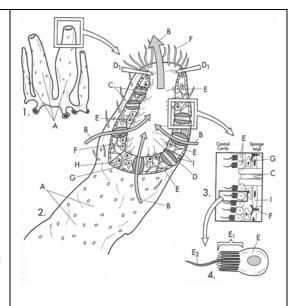
Filter feeders

Flagellated cells → choanocytes.

- · Water exits thru osculum.
- · pass the food to amoebocytes
- b/w the two cell layers of the sponge wall, digest & distribute nutrients.

Spicules \rightarrow skeletal needles made from either CaCO₃ or SiO₂

Cells not organized into tissues = parazoa



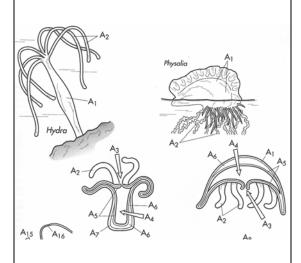
Cnidaria

Hydrozoans, jellyfish, sea anemones, and corals.

two body forms

- Medusa = a floating, umbrellashaped body with dangling tentacles typical of jellyfish.
- Polyp = a sessile, cylinder-shaped body with rising tentacles typical of sea anemomes.

Cnidoblasts – stinging cells
Alternating life forms Medusa ↔ Polyp



Platyhelminthes

3 kinds of Acoelomate flatworms:

Free-living flatworms (planarians)

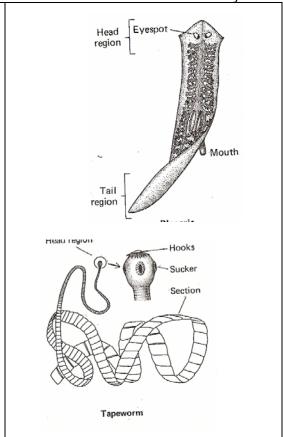
- Carnivores or scavengers, live in marine or freshwater.
- saclike gut

Flukes

 Internal or external animal parasites that suck tissue fluids or blood.

Tapeworms

- Internal parasites that often live in the digestive tract of vertebrates.
- Proglottids develop secondarily for reproduction and function (not considered a true segmented animal)
- Do not have a digestive tract → absorb the predigested food around them.



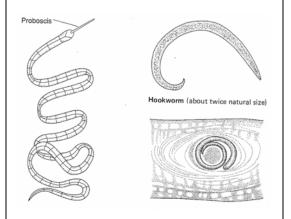
Nematoda

Roundworms.

 pseudocoelomate bodies with a complete digestive tract.

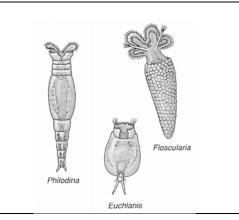
Free-living soil dwellers that help decompose and recycle nutrients.

One species of roundworms, ingested from incompletely cooked meat, causes trichinosis in humans.



otifera

- · Microscopic & multicellular
- specialized organs enclosed in a pseudocoelom,
- · Complete digestive tract
- Filter-feeders, drawing water and food into the mouth by the beating action of cilia.



Jollusc

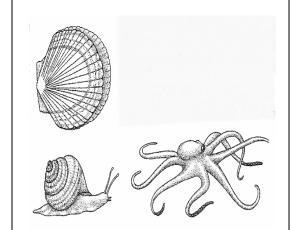
Snails, bivalves, octopuses, and squids. Coelomate bodies & complete digestive tract

Most have shells

<u>Bivalves</u> (clams and mussels)- shell that has two parts

<u>Squids</u> - shell is reduced and internal, <u>Octopuses</u> - shell is absent entirely.

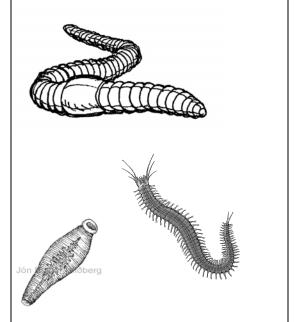
Octopuses have a highly developed nervous system with a large and complex brain.



Annelida

Segmented worms Leeches

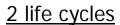
- predators of small animals or bloodsucking parasites
- two suckers at opposite ends of their bodies
- used for attachment and movement Polychaete
 - mostly marine
 - variety of lifestyles, including tube building, crawling, burrowing, and swimming



Arthropoda

Spiders, insects, crustaceans

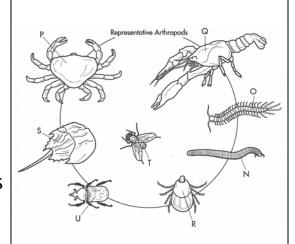
- jointed appendages
- well-developed nervous system
- specialization of body segments
- exoskeleton made of chitin



nymphs→small versions of the adults
 → adult size



larvae→ pupa (cocoon)→ adults



Echinodermata

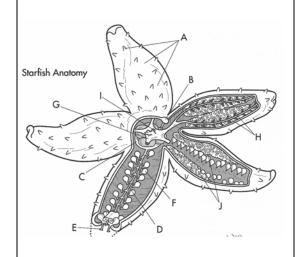
Sea stars, sea urchins, and sand dollars.

- · coelomate deuterostomes
- · complete digestive tract

larvae → bilateral symmetry

adults→ radial symmetry, some features are bilateral

Ancestors believed to have been bilateral



Temporary Features (embryonic)

• **notochord** provides a dorsal, flexible rod that functions as a support.

* the notochord is replaced by bone during development.

•A dorsal hollow nerve cord forms the basis of the nervous system.

*the nerve cord becomes the brain and spinal cord.

•Pharyngeal gill slits provide channels across the pharynx (a muscular structure at the beginning of the digestive tract) to the outside of the body.

*the slits become gills for oxygen exchange or filter feeding, while in others, the slits disappear during embryonic development.

•A **muscular tail** extends beyond the digestive tract.

*the tail is lost during embryonic development.

Invertebrate chordates, which include the lancelets and the tunicates

Vertebrate chordates, which include sharks, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals.

Vertebrate chordates are characterized by a series of bones, the **vertebrae** that enclose the spinal cord.

