



coral reef

student worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

1. Is coral a living thing? If so, what is it? _____

2. What are some of coral's closest relatives? _____

3. What does coral eat? _____

4. What lives inside coral polyps? What kind of relationship does it have with coral? _____

5. Name three environmental conditions that affect coral.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

6. Define salinity and turbidity. _____

7. List three services that coral reefs provide.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

8. What are some problems that coral reefs are facing? What are some things you can do to help?

BONUS: Imagine you are a fish living on a coral reef. Is it a good habitat to live in? What are some pros (+) and cons (-) about living in a coral reef environment? *(Complete on a separate sheet of paper if necessary.)*

