

# Kelp Forest Crossword Challenge

## ACROSS

4. of the sea
5. how barnacles eat
6. scientific name of giant kelp
10. an animal that kills and eats animals
12. where a plant or animal lives
13. decorator crabs are bottom-dwelling, or \_\_\_\_\_
14. the top part of the kelp forest
15. all of the plants and animals living in a specific area
16. a spiny sea \_\_\_\_\_ lives at the bottom of the kelp forest
18. the leaflike blade of a kelp plant and the stem
19. an animal without a backbone
24. abbreviation for self-contained underwater breathing apparatus
25. how green plants use sunlight to produce food
28. the part of the seaweed that attaches it to the seafloor
29. a large flat snail that eats kelp and is a preferred prey of sea otters
30. the kelp and other seaweeds belong in a large group of primitive plants called \_\_\_\_\_

## DOWN

1. an animal that is killed and eaten by a predator
2. the leaflike part of a seaweed
3. \_\_\_\_\_ seaweed: a piece of seaweed that has broken its attachment and floats freely with the ocean currents
7. a characteristic (body part, behavior or other) that helps a plant or animal survive
8. many hermit crabs live in empty \_\_\_\_\_ shells
9. a predatory crustacean
11. organism that causes the decay of dead plant and animal matter
17. SCUBA \_\_\_\_\_: a person adapted to spend time under water
20. living on land
21. marine mammals found in the kelp forests off the coast of Monterey
22. what giant kelp needs for growth (singular)
23. life forms that produce their own food through photosynthesis
24. common name for large ocean plants
25. tiny plants and animals that swim weakly or drift with ocean currents
26. any of the large brown seaweeds, like *Macrocystis*
27. common sea star found in kelp forests

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