

Yunus عليه السلام Is Swallowed by a Whale

Yunus عليه السلام left his people and boarded a small boat. At first, the sea was calm and the boat sailed smoothly.

Suddenly, dark clouds gathered and the wind roared. Huge waves crashed over the deck, and water filled the boat!



“Someone must jump into the sea, so the rest can be saved,” the sailors cried. To decide who it would be, they picked names. The name of Yunus عليه السلام came up again...and again...and again!

The people refused to throw him. They knew he was a blessed man. But Yunus عليه السلام knew this was a sign from Allah. He bravely jumped into the sea, and a whale swallowed him.

The dark night...the dark sea...the darkness of the whale’s belly. There was no way to escape! He was trapped.

Yunus عليه السلام remembered Allah and prayed: “There is no god but You; how Perfect are You! I was indeed wrong!”

Allah, The Most Kind, accepted his du‘a and ordered the whale to spit him out onto the shore. Allah saved Yunus عليه السلام.

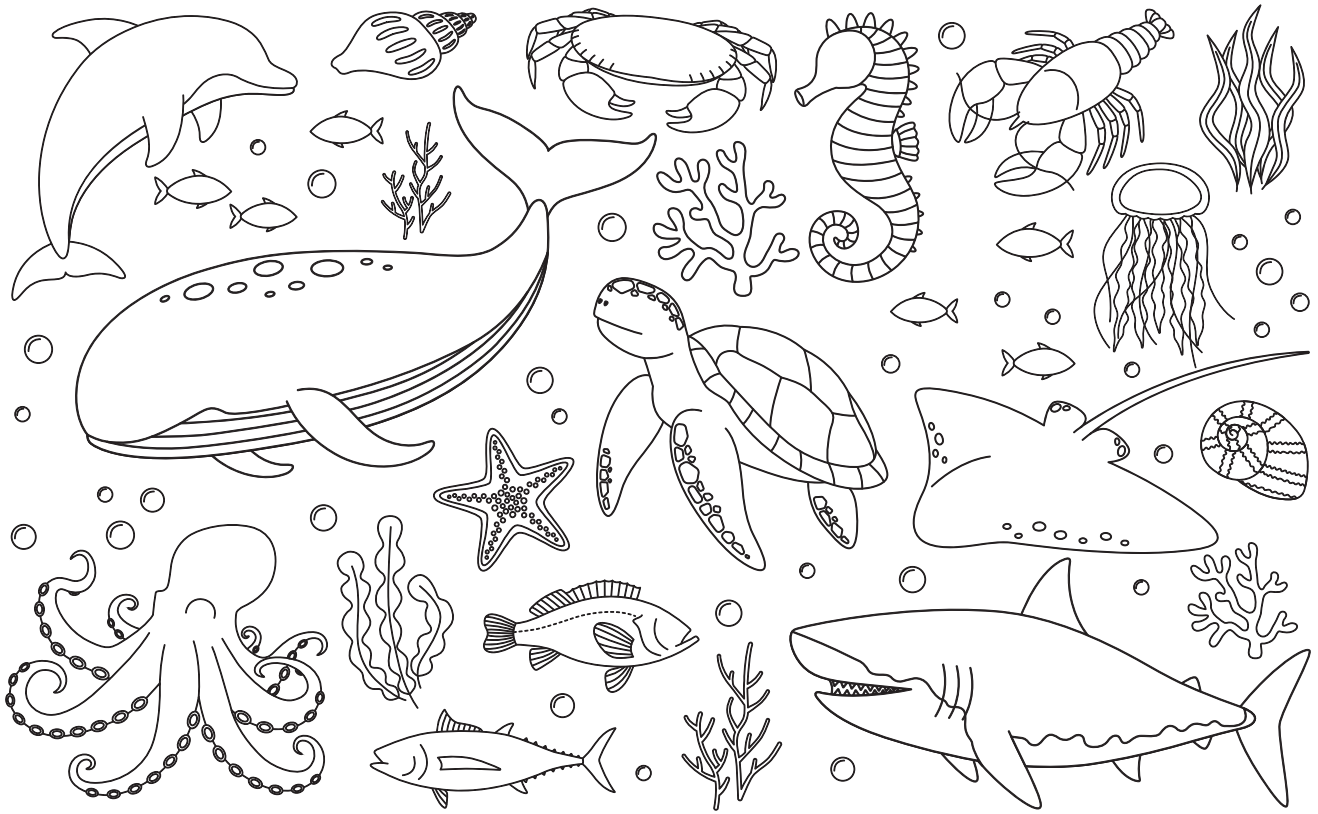
When Yunus عليه السلام was strong again, Allah sent him to guide the people. They believed in Allah, so Allah gave them peaceful, happy lives.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ
سُبْحَانَكَ إِنِّي كُنْتُ
مِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ

يُونُسُ
عليه السلام

When we remember Allah and ask Him to forgive us, He helps us in our troubles.

1 Pick and colour your three favourite sea creatures!

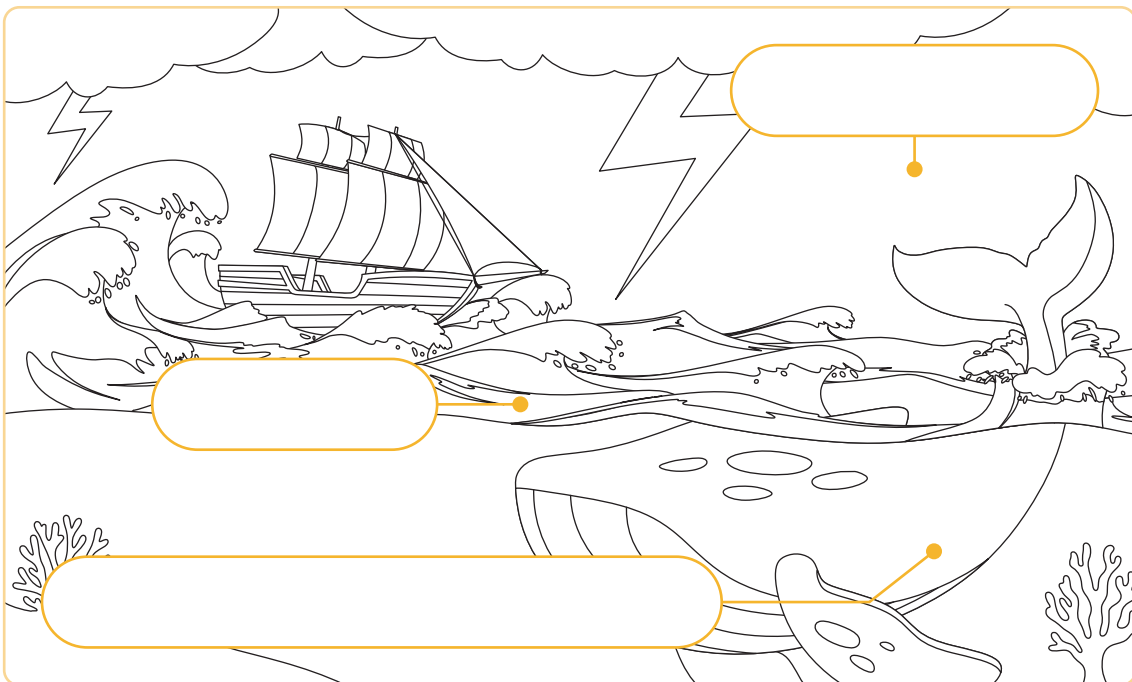


2 Label the picture using the words below. Then, colour it in.

whale's belly

night

sea



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a) Read and trace the du'a of Yunus عليه السلام.

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ سُبْحَانَكَ
إِنِّي كُنْتُ مِنَ الظَّالِمِينَ

(Surah al-Anbiya':87)

b) Number the boxes to put the meaning in order.

When I feel stuck, I will say:

There is

how Perfect are You!

I was

no god but You;

indeed wrong!

