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# INTRODUCTION...

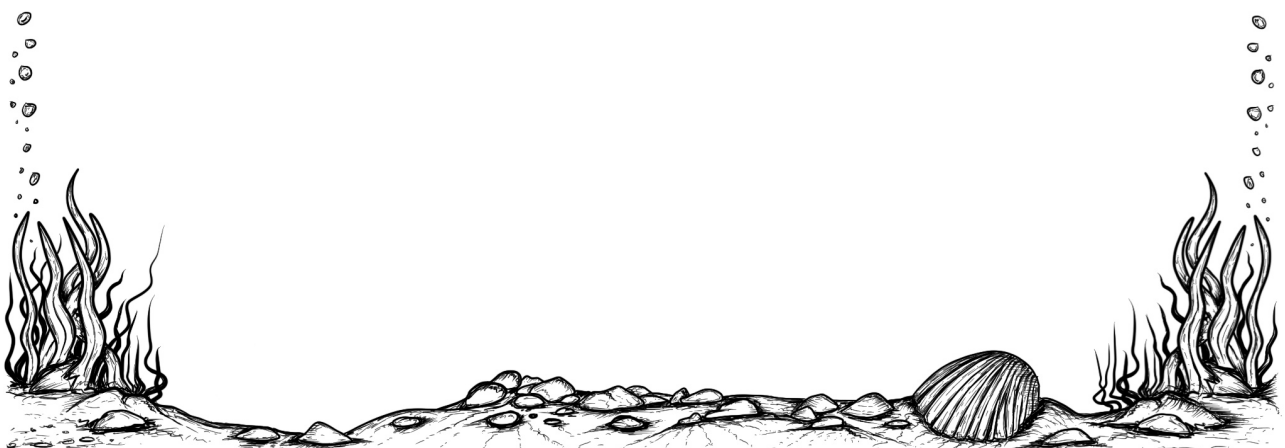
Hello, my name is Mike, and I created [Sea Life Art](http://www.sealifeart.co.uk). Earlier this year I decided to write a short story for Court Lane Junior School. The story is not yet finished, I was hoping you could help.

On the 8th of June every year we celebrate World Ocean Day. This is a global event, designed to promote a healthier ocean for everyone. My story is about World Ocean Day and life at an underwater school. I hope you enjoy it.

Maybe you can visit Mrs Gibbons in the library and find some cool books about sea life? The most important thing is to have fun, and use that amazing imagination of yours. Good luck!

## NOTES:

- Your story does not need to rhyme
- What sea creature would you like to be, and why?
- What do you love about our ocean?
- How does the ocean help us?

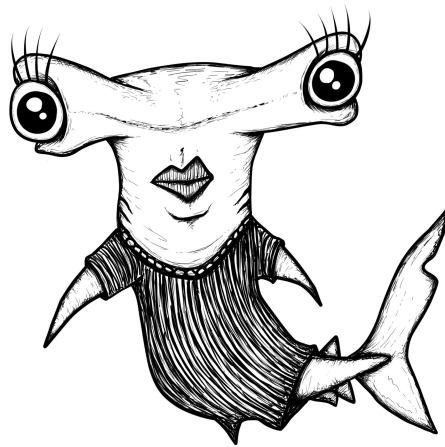


# WORLD OCEAN DAY

This is a story about a school, I think you know it's name  
Where little sharks and fishies go, the school is called Court Lane  
Ocean creatures near and far, they come to learn and play  
But every year they take the time, to focus on this day...

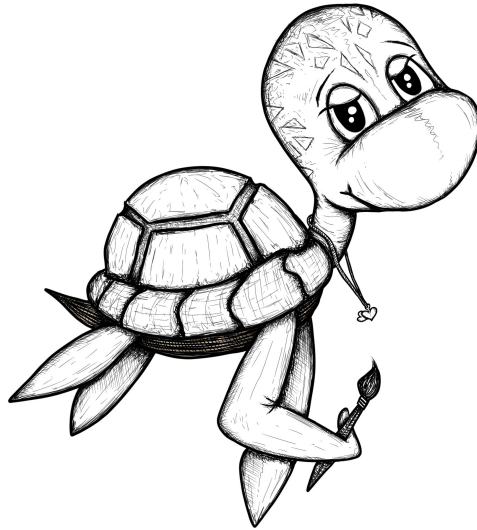
"Now do you know what day it is?" Asked Mrs Wait  
A friendly dolphin teacher, patrolling the school gate  
"It's World Oceans Day!" said Sid the squid, waving bye to mum  
Disappearing into a cloud of ink, squirted from its bum

"Correct!" Says Mrs Flitton, the friendly hammerhead  
Circling the playground, listening to what's being said  
Hammerheads can hear other fishies, over one mile away!  
So remember to be good at school, and careful what you say...



The caretaker Mr Davies shouts, "WOW a giant cloud!"  
"It really is impressive, your mother will be proud!"  
But squids squirt ink to disappear, something must be wrong  
Snapping his giant lobster claws, "quickly move along!"

Just then the waves got bigger, the sky turned all grey  
It didn't take very long to see, a storm was on its way  
Mrs Wheeler wiggles her octopus arms, directing kids to class  
Telling the smaller fishies, "Don't worry it will pass"



In a classroom down the hall, a question from Mrs Dawson  
A cool creative turtle, whose art is pretty awesome  
“Now children it’s a stormy day, just look outside and see  
But can you think of an ocean story, you can share with me?”

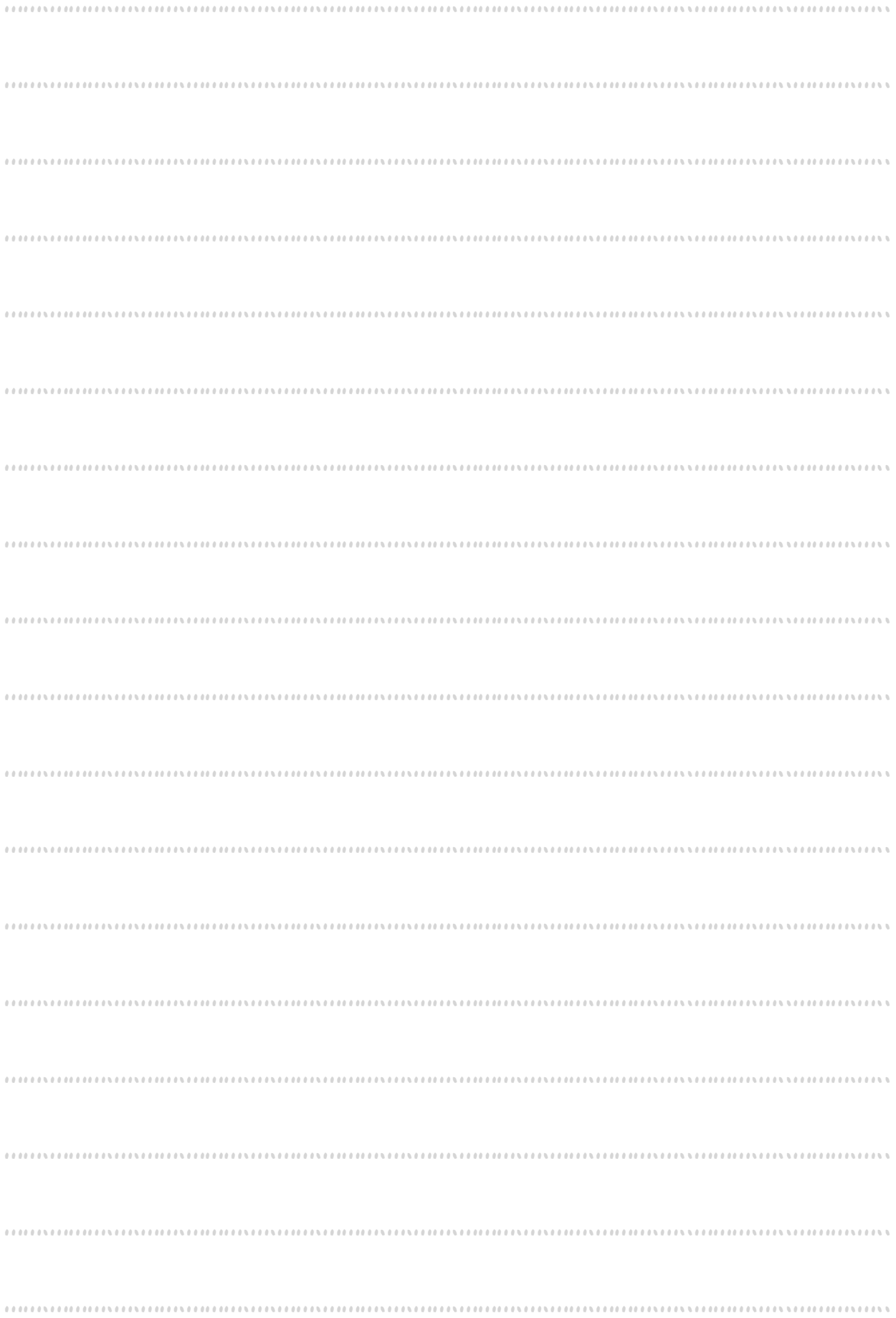
A little shark raises a fin, “can I write about my dinner?”  
A tuna fish then suggested, “what about the fastest swimmer?”  
“Great work!” says Mrs Dawson “any more ideas?”  
A jellyfish softly whispered, “I’ve lived 1000 years!”

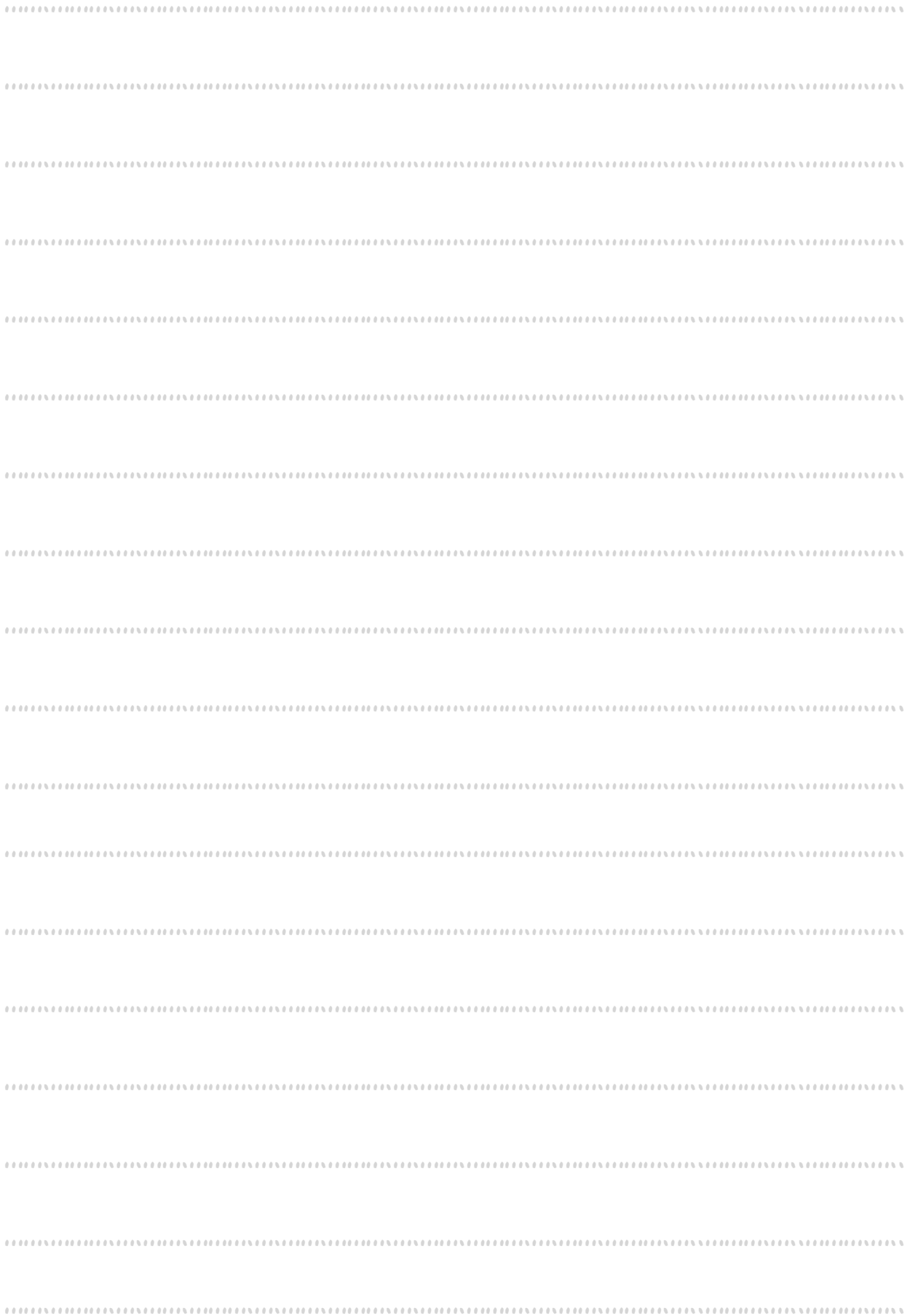
Next door was Miss Bailey, the mighty manta ray  
English teachers love fun facts, on World Ocean Day  
“Now we are all very different, from plankton to puffers  
But without a healthy ocean, everybody suffers”

“A scary fact, so sad but true, I think you’d all agree  
We really need to think about, what happens to the sea”  
Little bits of plastic, fishing nets and pollution  
Mr Barrett studied law, maybe he has a solution?

It’s time to start your story. Get creative, have some fun  
What happens next is up to you, my work here is done  
Something to remember, everything is linked  
So if we don't protect our ocean, all could be extinct...

## YOUR STORY...





# YOUR DRAWING...

Why not create a book cover