Hey there boys and girls,
I am Harry the Hermit Crab.

What's your name? _______________________

I hope you enjoy meeting all of my friends and learning about how to look after us and our homes.

I need you to leave shells on the beach so I can find a home.

My name is Chris the Giant Cuttle. They call me a giant because I am the biggest of my type in the world.

Many of you only know me by the white shell that washes up on the beach when I die.

A big hello from Wendy the Southern Right Whale. I travel thousands of kilometres from the Antarctic Circle to have my babies in Victoria's waters.

G'day! I'm Seadragon Steve and I am proud to be Victoria's State marine emblem. Like my seahorse cousins it is the boys in my family that have the babies!

Marine National Parks and Marine Sanctuaries are like National Parks on land. They are areas of the sea that fully protect Victoria's unique marine life and their homes.

CAN YOU FIND VICTORIA’S MARINE NATIONAL PARKS?

BUNURONG
CAPE HOWE
CHURCHILL ISLAND
CORNER INLET
DISCOVERY BAY
FRENCH ISLAND
NINETY MILE BEACH
POINT ADDIS
POINT HICKS
PORT PHILLIP HEADS
TWELVE APOSTLES
WILSONS PROMONTORY
YARINGA

Healthy Parks
Healthy People

Parks Victoria Information Centre 13 1963
www.parkweb.vic.gov.au
COLOUR BY NUMBERS

1. AQUA - BLUE/GREEN
2. BRIGHT BLUE
3. ORANGE
4. RED
5. LIGHT GREEN
6. DARK GREEN
7. WHITE
8. YELLOW
9. GREY
10. PINK
11. BROWN
12. PALE BLUE

You can discover hidden living treasures in Victoria's Marine National Parks and Sanctuaries.
JOIN THE DOTS TO DISCOVER WHO IS EATING WHO
IN THE PORT PHILLIP HEADS MARINE NATIONAL PARK

Hi! I'm Sally the Seahorse

I live in seaweed
forests and seagrass which
I can hold onto with my curly tail.
There are many types of animals found in our Marine National
Parks and Sanctuaries. By protecting some of our coast,
we can ensure that all plants and animals have a
WHAT CAN YOU DO IN A MARINE NATIONAL PARK OR A MARINE SANCTUARY?

GSIURNF
ITAOGNB
MGIMSINW
KONGSIELRN
NDIIGV
CINNIPIGCK

WHAT CAN'T YOU DO IN A MARINE NATIONAL PARK OR A MARINE SANCTUARY?

NIHGIFS
GTEOCLNCIL LSEHLS
RSAEPNIHFSIG
TERNIGTIL

My name is Di the Bottlenose Dolphin. I have many good human friends at the Dolphin Research Institute that are working hard to protect my home in the sea.

Hi. I'm Nav the Nudibranch - I am a brightly coloured slug that lives at sea.

Look out for me in rock pools and on reefs.

Unscramble each of the word clues, then find them in the picture.

Copy the letters in the numbered boxes to discover the secret message.

Answers:

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24.
What can you do in a Marine National Park or a Marine Sanctuary?

Colour this picture and put a × on activities not allowed.

Activities that involve killing or removing animals, plants or other materials are not permitted.
COLOUR THE KELP TRAIL TO MATCH EACH ANIMAL WITH ITS HABITAT WITHIN MARINE NATIONAL PARKS

Animals and plants depend on their habitats or homes to provide them with all that they need to survive. There are many different types of marine habitats.
HELP THE WEEDY SEADRAGON AVOID THE DANGERS AND GET HOME SAFELY

The Weedy Seadragon and many other fish live in seagrass meadows. Seagrass meadows are an important habitat found in some Marine National Parks.
UNDERWATER LIFE

ACROSS
5. Gets washed into the ocean from storm water drains.
6. Brightly coloured animal with gills on its back.
7. Large brown seaweed.
9. The number of Marine National Parks.
11. Microscopic food for many marine animals.
12. Can regrow its arms.

DOWN
1. This animal lives in discarded snail shells.
2. Can change colour and has an internal shell.
4. The male of this species carries the eggs!
8. These animals are mammals, just like us.
10. Underwater plant that provides food, shelter and home for many fish.
For more information on Victoria’s Marine National Parks and Marine Sanctuaries visit www.parkweb.vic.gov.au, call the Parks Victoria info centre on 13 1963 or visit a Parks Victoria office.

Get involved in a coastal activity program with Parks Victoria, The Dolphin Research Institute, Coast Action, The Marine Discovery Centre, Phillip Island Nature Park or other groups that conduct coastal activity programs.

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