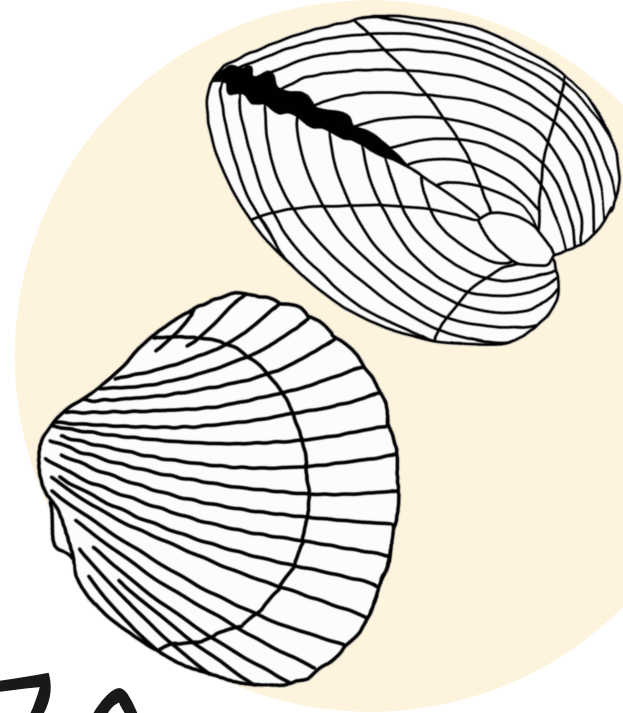


# THE LIFE & TIMES OF COCKLES

## WHAT THE SHELL ARE COCKLES?

**COCKLES** are shellfish that live in the sand on beaches. They belong to a group of animals called 'Bivalves' because they have two shells. There are over **200** species of **COCKLES** worldwide.



### FUN FACT

You can tell a **COCKLE'S** age by counting its shell rings, just like a tree!

## THE COCKLES PROJECT

In the **COCKLES** project, scientists looked at **10,000** records of **COCKLE** history to better understand it



Vikings liked to eat **COCKLES** too. YUM!

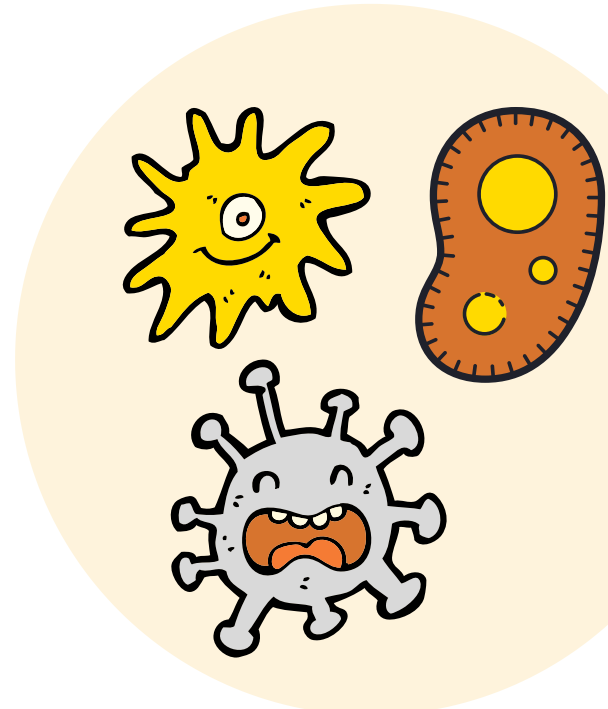


## DID YOU KNOW?

**COCKLES** were around **100 MILLION** years ago during the Age of Dinosaurs! Fossils are proof that **COCKLES** lived when dinosaurs roamed the earth.

## COCKLES GET SICK TOO

More than **50** parasites & bugs live in **COCKLES**. Parasites might like warmer weather, which means there might be less **COCKLES** in the future with 'Climate Change'.



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