

# Ammonite Question Sheet

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**Underline, circle or tick the correct answers**

**1. What type of animal is an ammonite?**

- Mollusk
- Insect
- Nautilus

**2. Where did Ammonites live?**

- On land
- In rivers
- In the sea

**3. Which of the following living animals are most closely related to ammonites?**

- Octopuses
- Snails
- Oysters

**4. How did ammonites get their name?**

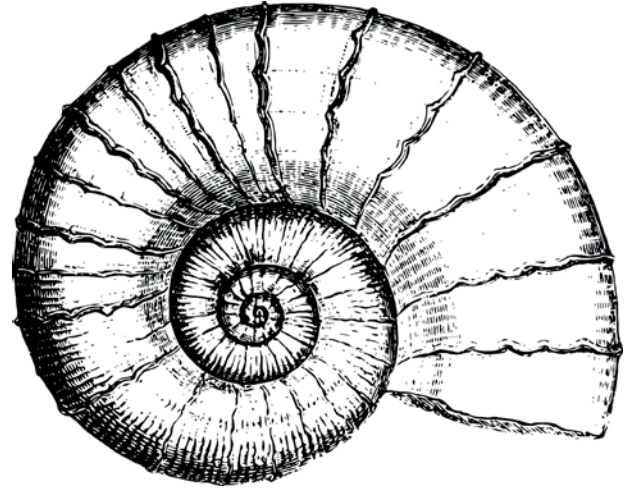
- They were first discovered in Ammon, Idaho
- They resemble the ram's horns of the god Ammon
- They were named after an ancient region in the Middle East

**5. How did an ammonite grow?**

- It would shed its old shell and seek out another shell on the sea bed
- Its shell would grow a new chamber, into which the ammonite would move
- It would shed its old shell and grow a new one

**6. When did ammonites become extinct?**

- At the end of the Cretaceous Period, around 66 million years ago
- At the end of the Jurassic Period, around 145 mya
- At the end of the Triassic Period, around 201 mya



**7. Could ammonites swim, or were they attached to rocks?**

- They could swim
- They were attached to rocks

**8. Ammonites are the ancestors of which living animals?**

- Bivalves (oysters, scallops, clams, etc.)
- Cephalopods (octopuses, squid, nautiluses, etc.)
- Ammonites left no direct descendants

**9. What was the wall between each chamber of an ammonite's shell called?**

- Cell wall
- Septa
- Strata

**10. Ammonites are index fossils. What is an index fossil?**

- A fossil that can be used to date rocks and other fossils
- A fossil that contains DNA that can potentially bring extinct species back to life
- A fossil that belongs to a particular museum