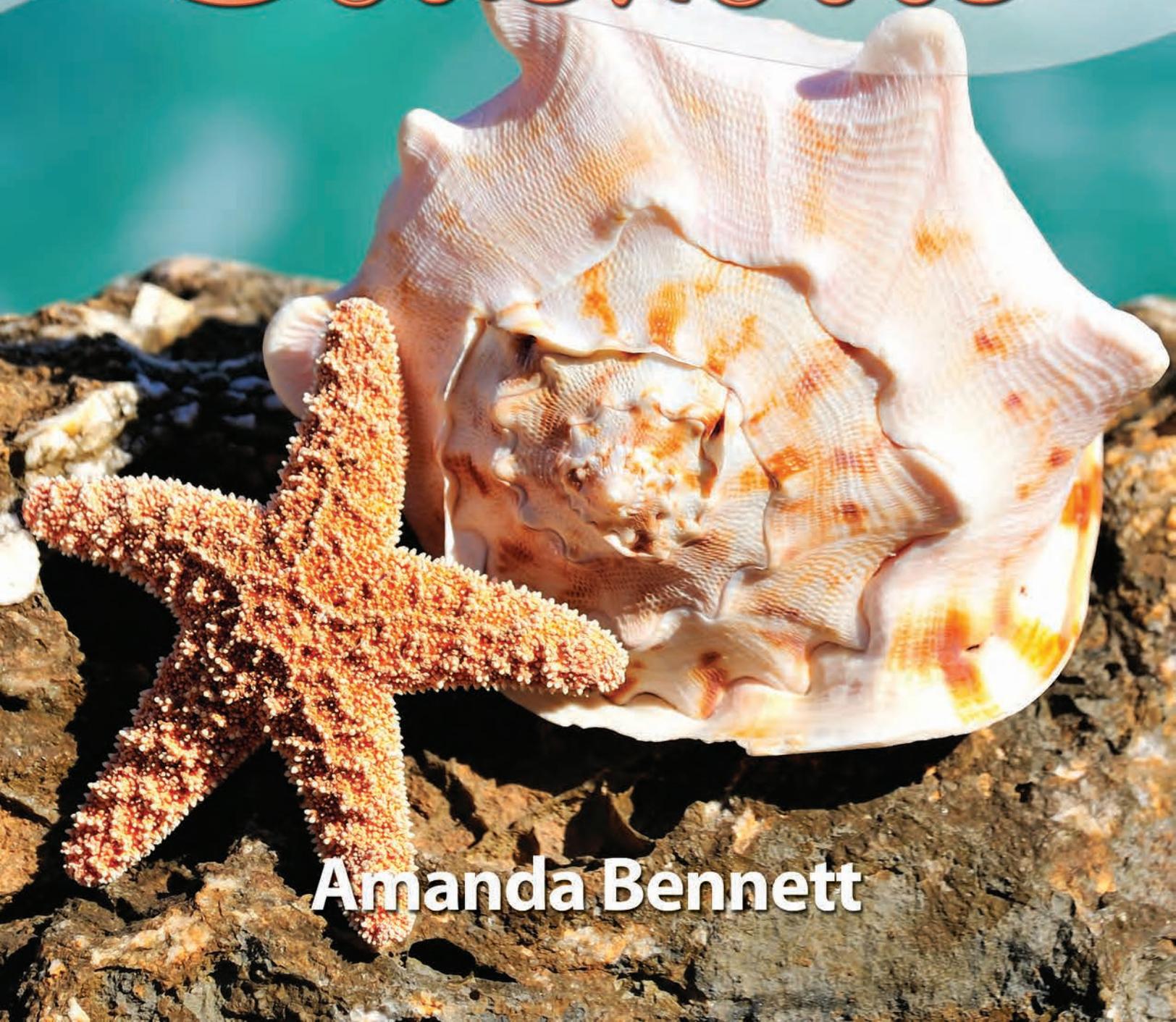


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# Introduction

By Amanda Bennett

Once upon a time, every seashell was a home for a living animal. Can you imagine that? All of those thousands of shells washing up on the shore were once a place of safety and protection for animals! When I think of all the shells that we have seen and collected over the years, and how they used to house some creature that needed a hard shell, I am amazed at God's provision for each and every one of His creations.

Many childhood memories are built on seashell collecting adventures along the shore of an ocean or lake, and those precious treasures oftentimes stay with the child for years to come. While the shells themselves are beautiful, so are the memories attached to each shell. These memories and experiences are some of the reasons that this topic was chosen for the Download N Go™ Series, and it is my goal that you and your family can enjoy these same benefits as we move through this learning adventure.

At our house, seashells can be found in almost every room of the house—even though our house is in the Appalachian Mountains! We have spent quite a few years and many vacations walking the beaches of Florida with our family, and our shell collection has grown very large as a result. From clear ginger jar lamps filled with our finds to seashell wreaths that adorn the walls, we are never far from those memories. One of the most popular toys at our house for visiting small children is my great big woven basket full of large seashell finds—perfect for curious hands and minds.

Choosing this topic for a Download N Go™ study was easy for me, since we have had so many seashells at our house. With this study/lapbook, your child will investigate all kinds of things about seashells, including the basic types of seashells and discovering the seashells of other countries around the world. Each day he will explore and investigate, creating and adding more learning components to his *Sunny Seashells* lapbook—building a wonderful reminder of all that he is learning, to be enjoyed for years to come.

With the Download N Go™ unit studies, you are about to begin a new kind of learning experience. Each study is one week in length, having five daily lessons with lapbook components for each day. The name, Download N Go™, comes from the concept that these studies are ready to use as soon as you have downloaded them. No preparation or waiting time or other expensive resources are required. A few inexpensive items are needed for the lapbook—a simple file folder, a glue stick, safety scissors, a few pieces of cardstock, and crayons or markers. That's it—simple, effective, and what a way to learn!

From developing an understanding about the basics of seashells and where they come from to learning about the ultimate seashell recycling animal, the hermit crab, there is much to be learned on this exciting learning adventure. Your child will learn about the components of seashells, as well as some of the best shelling places in the world. He will learn about seashells around the globe, along with the places they can be found.

Along the way, there will be science discoveries, such as learning how a seashell is formed, how pearls are created, and how some shells can move about. Your student will also learn a bit of history and geography as he studies the different types of seashells from across the globe.

So get ready for the adventure, and thanks for spending a week with us as we take off with *Sunny Seashells!*



**Notes to parents:** *Remember that Internet site content can change overnight. Please check the sites that you plan to use before your child visits them in the study.*

*Some of the videos in this study are hosted by YouTube and include Google ads that cannot be completely avoided. These ads can be hidden by clicking on the X in the upper-right corner of the ad banner.*



*To conserve printer ink, please note that most printers have a variety of printing options (draft mode, economy mode, grayscale, black and white, etc.) which may reduce your ink usage. Refer to [this guide](#) for assistance in exploring your printer's options.*

# Day 3

## Types of Seashells

Today we will be busy investigating many new things, and here are a few videos to help you get back to the shore:

Video: [Sea Creatures I Found at the Tide Pools](#)

Video: [Sanibel Octopus Shell Surprise](#)

What are some of the most common kinds of seashells? *List three of them below.*

[Seashells](#)

[Types of Seashells](#)



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While there are many places around the world to find seashells, there are a few beaches that are famous for all the kinds of seashells you can find there. Here are a few links to top places to go shelling in the United States. *Find these states on [your map](#) and color them.*

[Best Florida Shelling Beaches](#)

[Top Ten U.S. Beaches for Shell Collecting](#)

[Assateague Island Shelling](#)

Where would you like to go shelling someday? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you already started your seashell collection? If so, do some research and identify some of your shells. This site, [Seashell Identification Guide](#), should help you get started. Complete the [My Collection](#) shutter book for your lapbook.

### Seashell of the Day: scallop

Video: [When Scallops Attack](#)

Video: [Live Scallop Seashell](#)

Video: [Swimming Scallop](#)

Scallops are fun to watch, and their shells are easy to find along many beaches!

Are scallops univalves or bivalves? *Write your answer below.*

[Scallop](#)

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Where do they live in the ocean? *Write your answer below.*

[Scallop Coloring Page](#)

[Scallop](#)

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How large is a calico scallop shell? *Write your answer below.*

[Calico Scallop Shell](#)

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