Shark reading a book, missing tooth grin

Sized for a 6 inch hoop (15 cm). The stitched design is about 4.4 × 4.5 in (11.2 × 11.4 cm).



Which color goes where: by number on page 2.
Fabric: navy cotton or linen.

Stitch in this order

Filled parts from the back of the picture forward, then lines and knots.

1. **Satin stitch**, 2 strands
   Kelp, mouth, tongue, teeth, eyes, pupils, eyelids, pages, book spine, cover fish, cover fish bone, book stack, book stack pages, and 6 more
2. **Fishbone stitch**, 2 strands
   Kelp
3. **Long and short stitch**, 1 strand
   Sand, shell, body, belly, tail, dorsal fin, muzzle, head, book cover, side fins, lamp fish
4. **Stem stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Shell ribs, nostrils, lips, eyes edge, cover edge, cover fish bone, book stack edge
5. **Split stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Body edge, tail edge, dorsal fin edge, head edge, side fin edge, lamp stalk
6. **Back stitch**, strands by part on page 2
   Eyelids edge, page edges, cover border, starfish edge, lamp edge
7. **Whipped back stitch**, 2 strands
   Glasses
8. **Straight stitch**, 2 strands
   Cover fish bone, lamp fish teeth, lamp rays
9. **French knot**
   strands by part on page 2, two wraps
   Eye light, cover fish eye, starfish dots, lamp fish eye

In a 6 inch hoop the French knots are drawn smaller than about 2 mm (a little over 1/16 in). Use one strand of floss for them there, or choose a larger hoop.

Floss

- **1 DMC 501 Dark Blue Green** Kelp (darker)
- **2 DMC 503 Medium Blue Green** Kelp (lighter)
- **3 DMC 3045 Dark Yellow Beige** Sand (darker), page edges
- **4 DMC 3047 Light Yellow Beige** Sand (lighter)
- **5 DMC 760 Salmon** Shell (middle)
- **6 DMC 3712 Medium Salmon**
  Shell (dark), book stack (lighter), starfish and tongue
- **7 DMC 761 Light Salmon** Shell (light)
- **8 DMC 3328 Dark Salmon** Shell ribs and starfish edge, book stack edge (lighter)
- **9 DMC 932 Light Antique Blue**
  Body, tail, side fins and dorsal fin (lightest), head (light), eyelids
- **10 DMC 3750 Very Dark Antique Blue**
  Body (darkest), side fin edge, tail edge, body edge and head edge and 6 more parts
- **11 DMC 930 Dark Antique Blue** Body, head, side fins, tail and dorsal fin (dark)
- **12 DMC 931 Medium Antique Blue**
  Side fins, body, dorsal fin and tail (light), head (middle)
- **13 DMC B5200 Snow White**
  Muzzle, belly and lamp fish eye (lighter), eyes, teeth, lamp fish teeth and eye light
- **14 DMC 3752 Very Light Antique Blue** Muzzle and belly (darker)
- **15 DMC 815 Medium Garnet**
  Mouth, cover border, cover fish, cover fish bone and lamp fish mouth
- **16 DMC 939 Very Dark Navy Blue**
  Lips, pupils and eyelids edge, lamp fish eye (darker)
- **17 DMC 3820 Dark Straw**
  Book cover (lighter), glasses, lamp edge, book stack bands, lamp rays and cover fish eye
- **18 DMC 712 Cream** Pages and book stack pages
- **19 DMC 782 Dark Topaz** Book cover (darker)
- **20 DMC 780 Ultra Very Dark Topaz** Cover edge and book spine
- **21 DMC 3835 Medium Grape** Lamp fish (middle), book stack (darker)
- **22 DMC 3834 Dark Grape** Lamp fish (dark), book stack edge (darker)
- **23 DMC 745 Light Pale Yellow** Lamp and starfish dots
- **24 DMC 3836 Light Grape** Lamp fish fins and lamp stalk, lamp fish (light)

Three ways onto dark fabric

1. **Light shines through it**
   Lay page 3 on a bright light box, tape the fabric over it and trace the lines with a white marking pencil or pen.
2. **No light shines through**
   Print page 3 on a sticky wash-away sheet, smooth it onto fabric that can be washed, stitch through both and rinse it away.
3. **White or yellow carbon paper**
   Lay it colored side down on the fabric with page 3 on top, tape the layers and trace firmly with a ballpoint pen. Go over a faint line with a white pencil.

Page 3 is the pattern at actual size (page 4 is its mirror, for an iron-on pen on a light fabric). Print it at 100% with scaling turned off. Then put the fabric in the hoop: inner ring under, drawing up, tight as a drum.

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6 inch hoop

How to read it

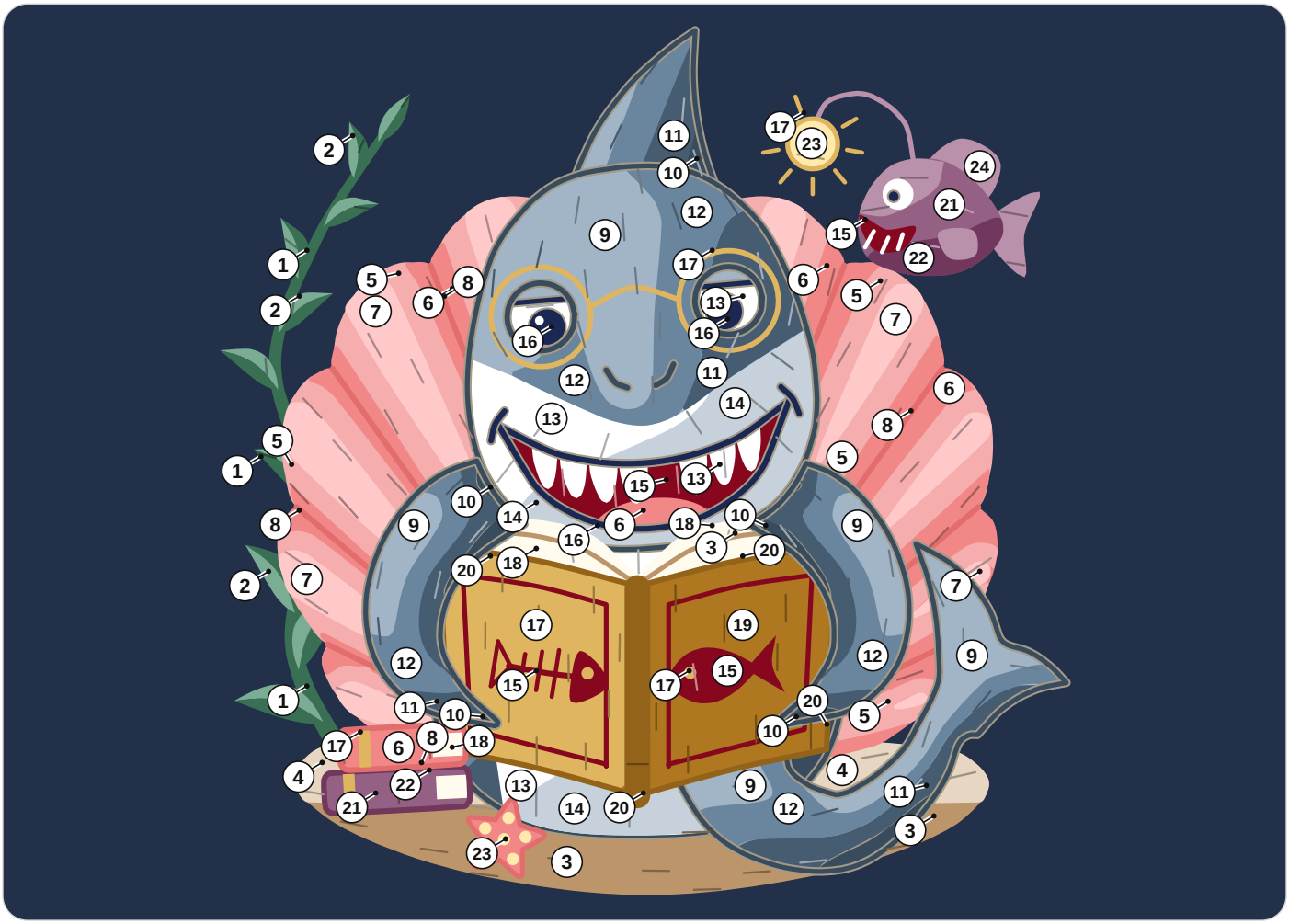
Floss is six strands. Cut 18 inches (45 cm), pull out the number given one at a time, and lay them together.

Inside a filled shape start with two or three tiny stitches, which the filling covers. Start a line with a small knot on the back. End each thread by running the needle under the backs of a few stitches.

Each small ring is one French knot. A fine broken line inside a shape is where two shades meet: trace it, do not stitch it.

A number on the picture is a color of the list of floss on page 1. The fine lines on the colors show which way the stitches lie.

Every stitch in pictures: flossfield.com/embroidery/stitches. The first time: flossfield.com/embroidery/guides/how-to-start.



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How many strands

Stem stitch. 2 strands: shell ribs, nostrils, lips, cover edge, cover fish bone, book stack edge; 1 strand: eyes edge.
Split stitch. 3 strands: lamp stalk; 2 strands: body edge, tail edge, dorsal fin edge, head edge, side fin edge.
Back stitch. 2 strands: cover border; 1 strand: eyelids edge, page edges, starfish edge, lamp edge.
French knot. 2 strands: cover fish eye, starfish dots, lamp fish eye; 1 strand: eye light.

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6 inch hoop

Print at 100% and check the square below with a ruler. Fold the fabric in four: the folds meet the four ticks of the ring.



1 in
25.4 mm

Check square: 1 inch (25.4 mm) on each side.
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Mirrored. Trace this page with an iron-on transfer pen or pencil, then press it ink side down on the fabric.



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