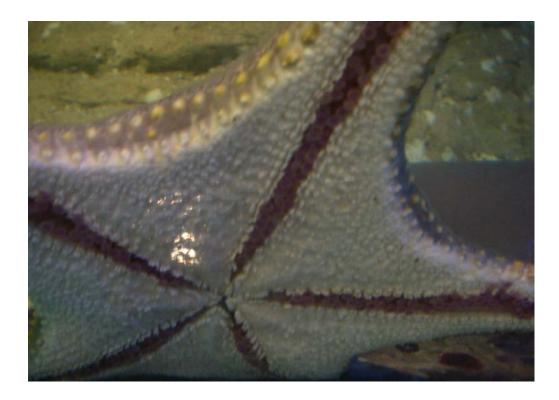
LARGE SEA STAR



GROUP/PHYLUM: Echinoderm

COLOUR: Green or Brown

MOVEMENT: Tube feet hold onto surfaces

TEXTURE: Hard – Bumpy - Leathery

SHAPE: Star – 5 arms – if it loses an arm a new one will grow

Largest seastar has arms up to 60cm long

HOW IT EATS: Mouth found in centre of body on underside

It spits its stomach outside its body and absorbs food across - when finished it sucks stomach back in

WHAT IT EATS: Algae – shellfish – living animals

JOB: Cleaning the ocean floor

A sea star that is dangerous to touch is the Crown of Thorns – it has venomous spines