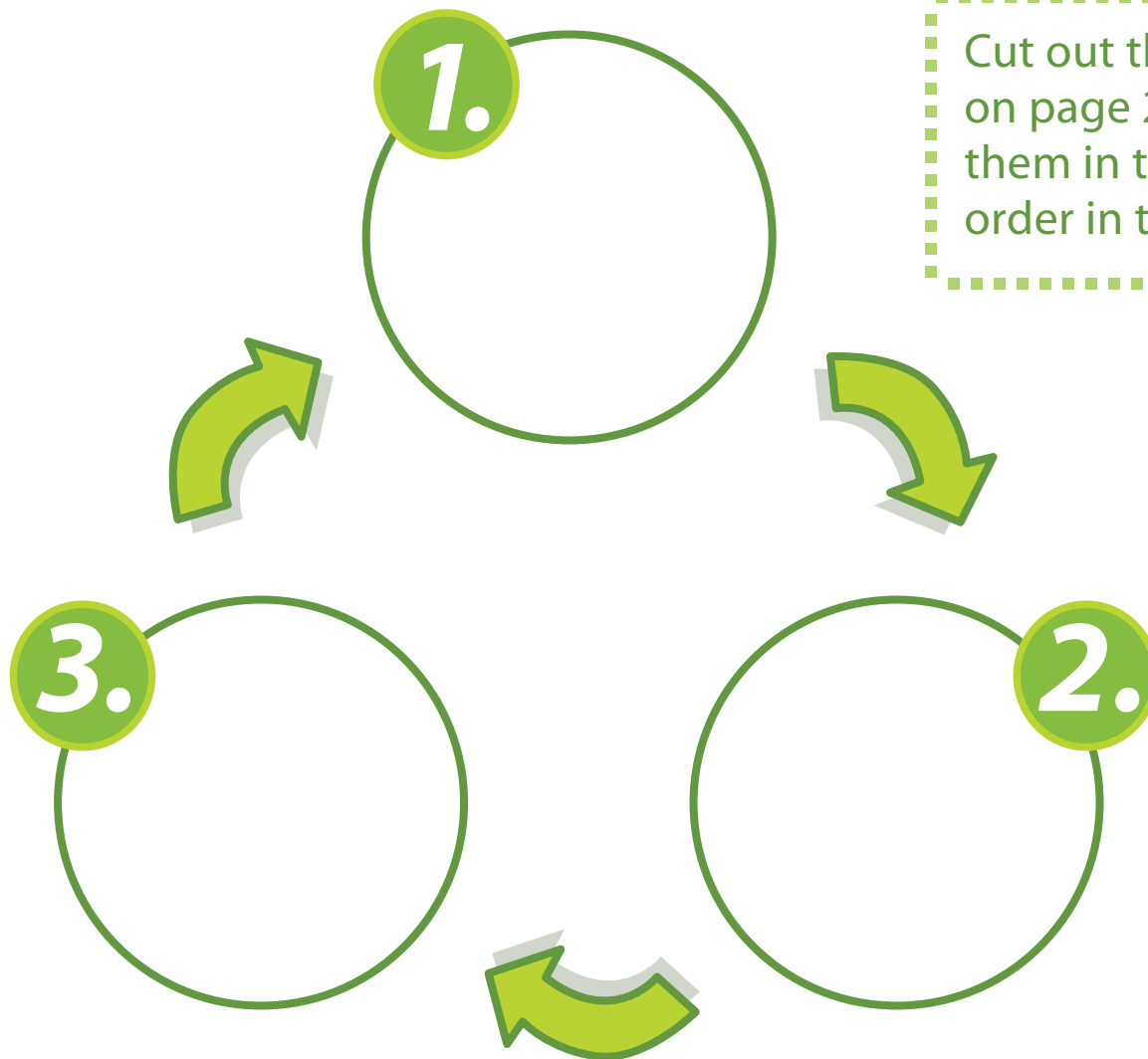


Life Cycle of a Fish



Fish live in the water. They are also cold-blooded, which means their body temperature changes if the temperature of the water changes. Fish lay eggs. They have scales, fins, tails, and gills instead of lungs. The largest fish is the whale shark. It can grow to be 65 feet long. The smallest fish in the world is called the *Paedocypris* fish, and it is just 7.9 mm long!



Cut out the pictures on page 2 and paste them in the correct order in the life cycle.

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Most fish are born in soft-covered **eggs** outside the mother's body. The parents usually don't protect the eggs, but there are so many of them that enough survive. When the eggs hatch the **young** look very much like the adult, but many fish become more colorful as full **adults**.

