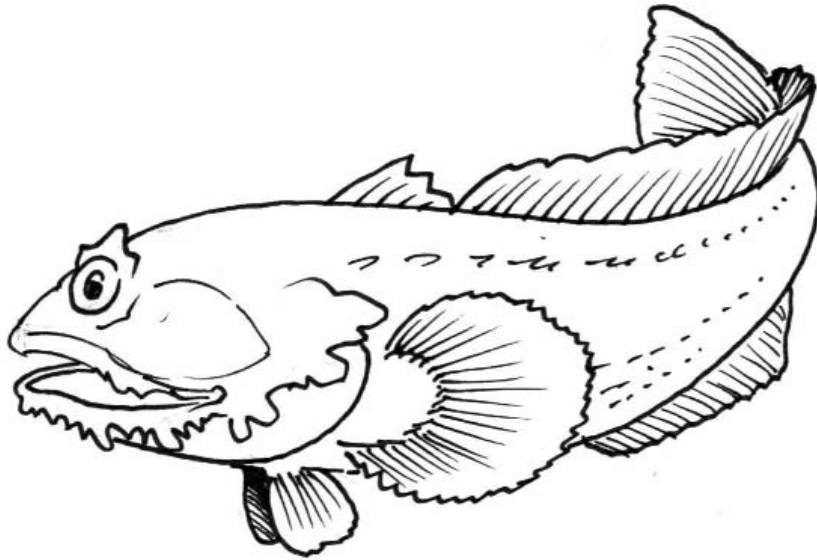
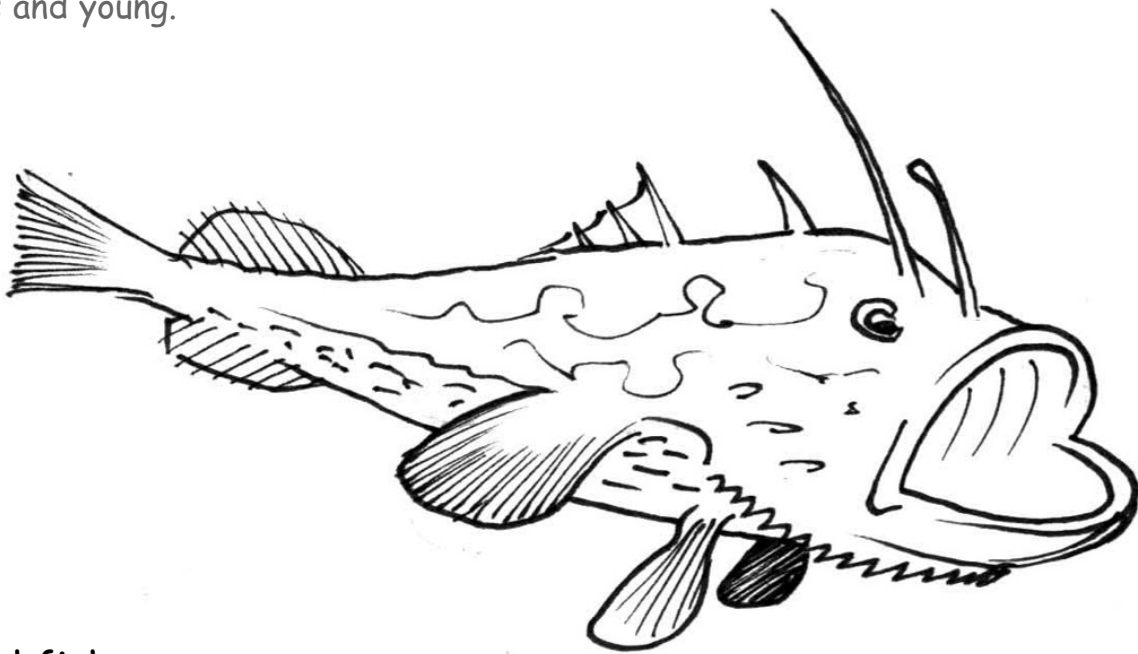


New Jersey's Strange Denizens of the Deep



Oyster Toadfish (shown above)

The oyster toadfish can have a foul temper and snap at anything in sight. Male toadfish make a sound like a foghorn to attract passing females to the nests. Once the female lays eggs, she simply swims away leaving the male to take care of the eggs and young.



Monkfish (shown above)

Monkfish are sometimes called anglerfish because they have a special built-in fishing pole and bait. Under the fishing pole is a gigantic mouth. The monkfish sits quietly on the bottom and when a little fish swims up to eat the worm, the monkfish has dinner.