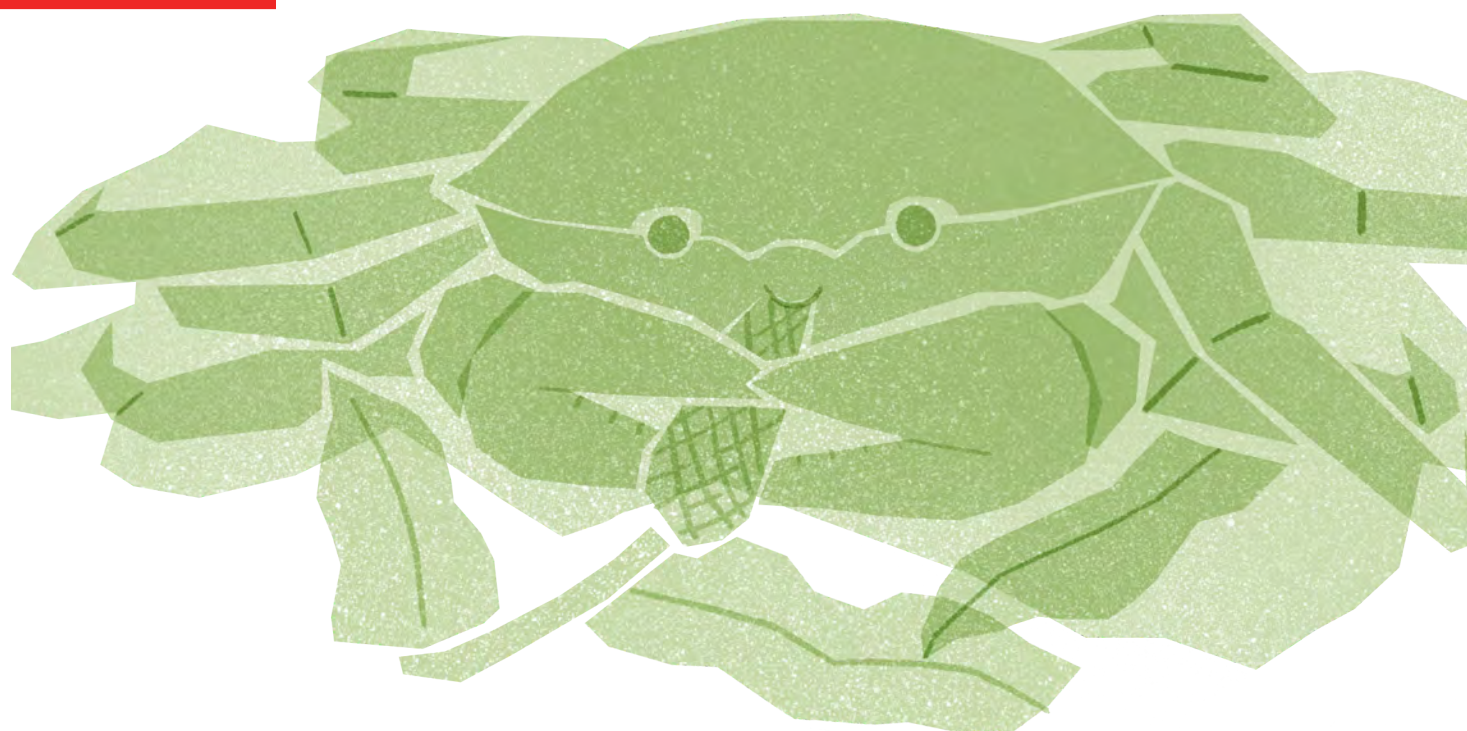


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MEET ME AT ACM

Suitable for ages 5 to 8



MEET THE CRAB

Crabs represent success in Chinese culture as the word for the crab's shell (甲) also means "first" or "best". The motif of crab with reeds symbolises success at the imperial examinations.

Educated men and women in China were expected to practise calligraphy, or to write beautifully.

ARTY FACTS

CRAB

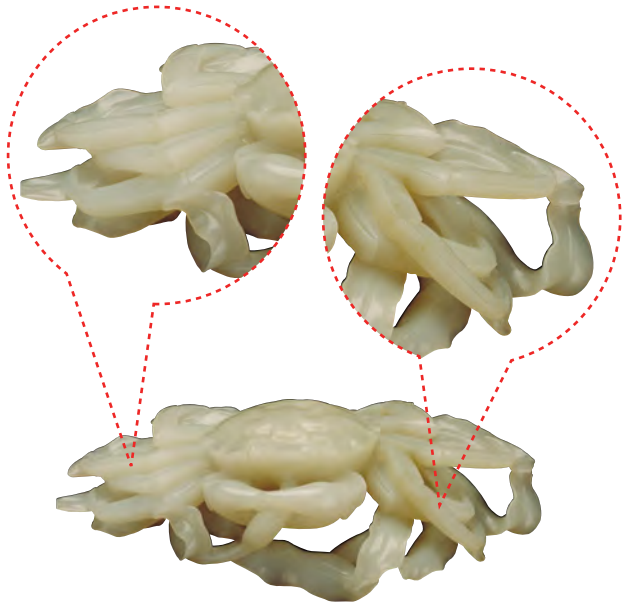
China, Qing dynasty (1644–1911)
Jade

A Chinese scholar of the Ming or Qing dynasty would design a studio where he could study and practise calligraphy. This large white jade crab is carefully carved and detailed. It sits on leafy water-reeds holding one reed grasped in both pincers and its mouth.

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SPY WITH YOUR LITTLE EYE

The crab in the Scholars Gallery.



Through these activities, your child/student will learn to:

- Experiment, observe, and predict
- Use body movements to express their ideas and feelings

How many legs does a crab have? **LIST** other animals that have the same number of legs.

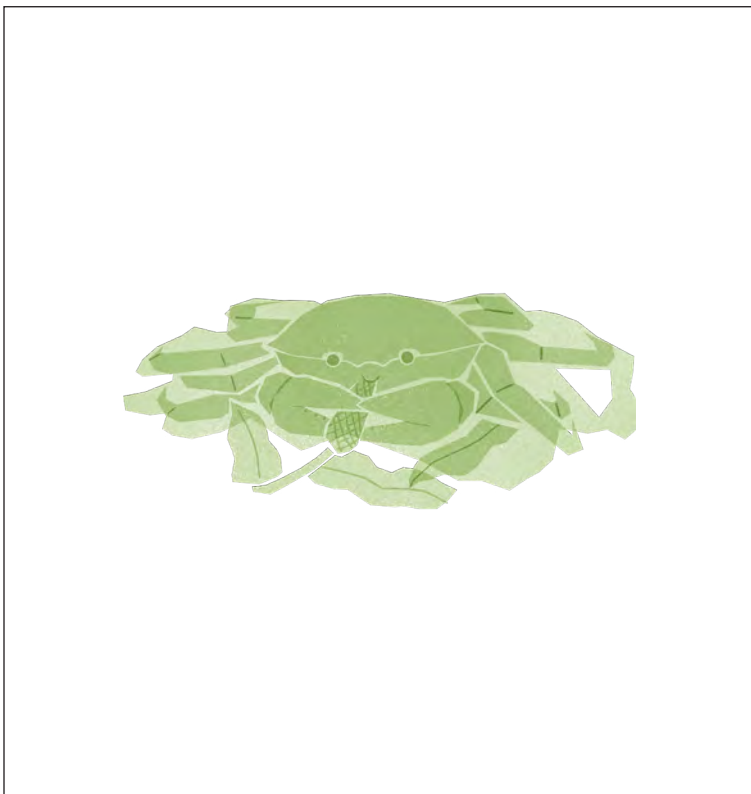
SHOW your friends or parents how the crab moves.

If you could **TASTE** this crab, what would it be like? **WRITE** three words to describe its taste.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



CREATE a background for the crab. Send us your work @ACM_SG for a chance to get featured!

THINK about where you might see a crab.

What other creatures would you find nearby?

EXAMPLES

