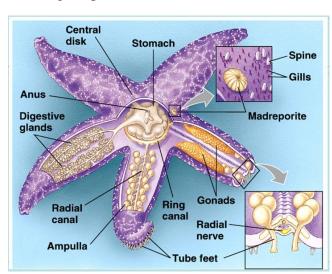
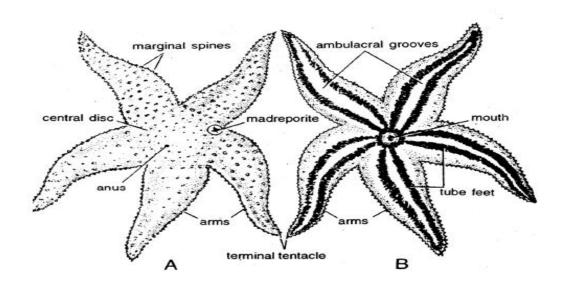


Phylum: Echinodermata (echinos= spiny+ derma=skin, ata=characterized).

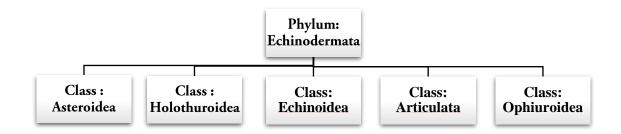
Characteristics of the phylum Echinodermata include:

- 1. Body triploblastic, coelomate, symmetrical, and unsegmented.
- 2. Body of Echinodermata star-like, spherical, globular, or elongated with radiating arms.
- 3. Body is generally pentameric, and have two faces oral and aboral, head is absent
- 4.Endoskeleton is made up of spines and calcareous spicules.
- 5. Water vascular system present.
- 6.Complete digestive system.
- 7. They have many small, movable extensions of the water-vascular system called tube feet which aid in movement, feeding, respiration and excretion.
- 8.Sexes are separate.



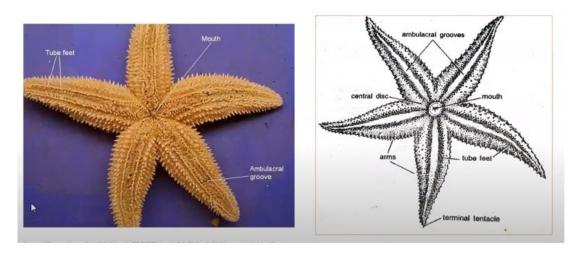


Asterias (A) aboral surface (B) oral surface



## Class: Asteroidea

Asterias sp. (Sea star)



Class: Holothuroidea

Cucumaria sp. (Sea cucumber)



Class: Echinoidea
(Sand dollars)



Class: Echinoidea *Arbacia sp.* 



Class: Articulata

Antedon sp. (feather stars)



Class: Ophiuroidea

*Ophiura sp.* (Brittle stars)

