

Rockfish Description Form

Date_____ Assignment_____ Mode_____ Interview_____

Species Common Name_____

Family Name_____

Specimen Collected? Yes No

Photographed? Yes No

Length_____

Predominant Body Coloration:

| | | |
|------------|--------|--------|
| Red | Orange | Pink |
| Green | Brown | Banded |
| Other_____ | | |

Diagnostic Patterns:

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----|
| Band Color | Black | Red |
| Lateral Line Stripe | Color_____ | |
| Spotting/Speckling | Color_____ | |
| Other_____ | | |

Head Spines: Weak Strong

Opercular Markings:

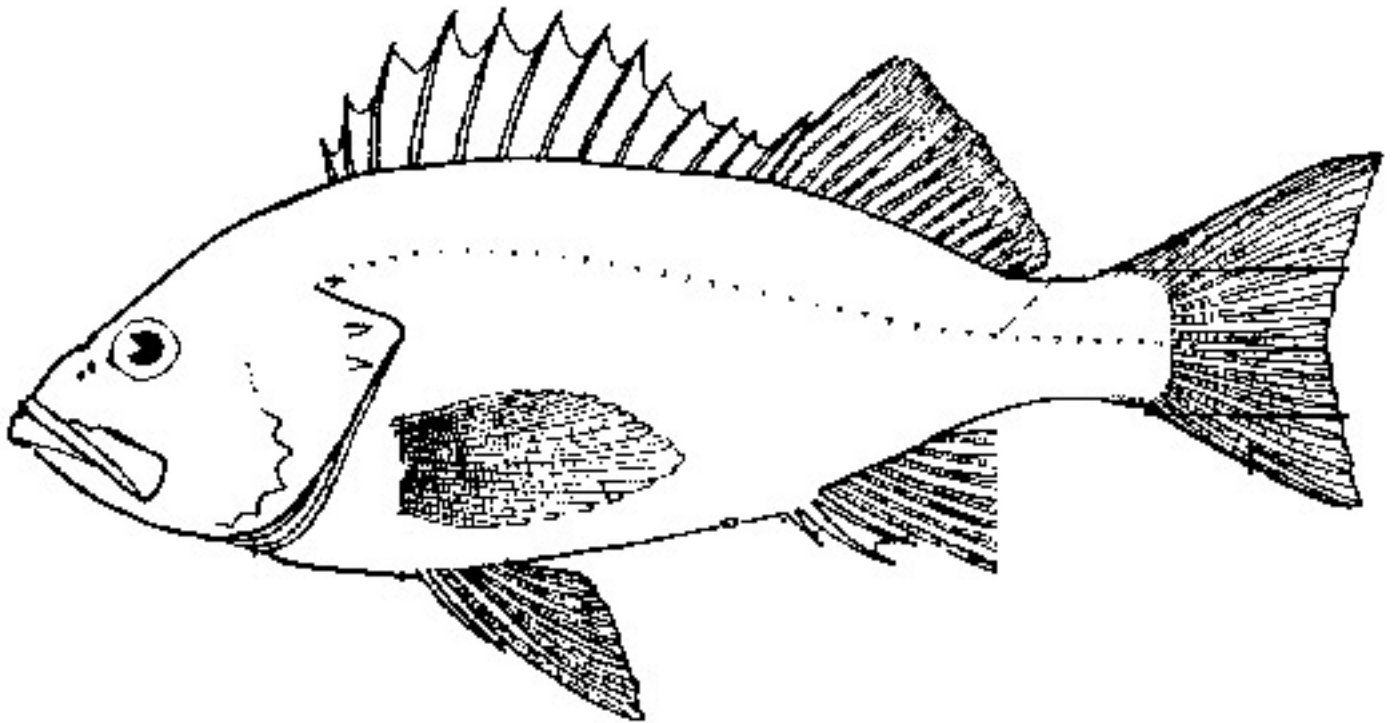
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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| _____None | _____Diffuse opercular blotch |
| _____Bars radiating from eye | _____Distinct opercular Blotch |

Anal Fin Spines:

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| _____Equal in Length |
| _____Second Anal Spine <u>Longer</u> than Third |
| _____Second Anal Spine <u>Shorter</u> than Third |

Describe the fish: color, markings, and other diagnostic features relevant to the identification of the fish.

In the diagram below, draw the key characters of the described rockfish:
Indicate: color, bands, maxilla size, etc.



If a key character distinguishes this rockfish from another is gill raker or fin ray count, then you must make those counts and record them here.

____ Gill Raker Count

____ Anal Fin Ray Count

____ Pectoral Ray Count