All About Jellyfish

Jellyfish are not fish. They are plankton. They live in all oceans. They are made up of a jelly-like substance. Some are transparent or see through. They can look like umbrellas and can be brightly colored. A group of jellyfish is called a “bloom”. Some blooms can have as many as 100,000 jellyfish! Jellyfish have no brains.

Jellyfish have tiny stinging cells in their tentacles to stun or paralyze their prey before they eat them. Inside their bell-shaped body is an opening that is its mouth. They eat and discard waste from this opening.

As jellyfish squirt water from their mouths they are propelled forward. Tentacles hang down from the smooth baglike body and sting their prey. Jellyfish stings can be painful to humans and sometimes very dangerous.

The box jellyfish above is very poisonous!
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