



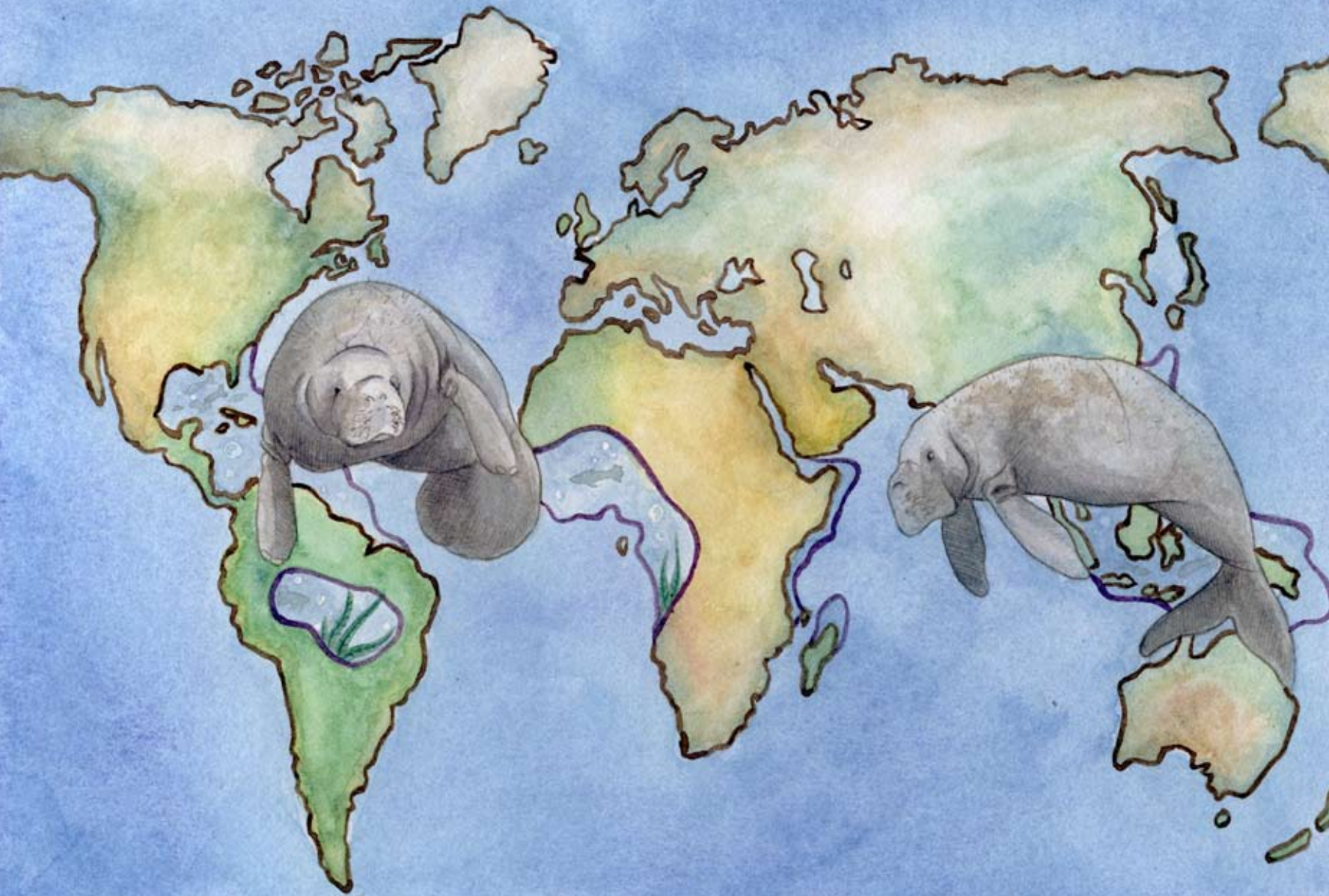
If I were a *Manatee*

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**If I were a manatee,
I would live in the
warm waters of
Florida, Georgia and
the West Indies.**



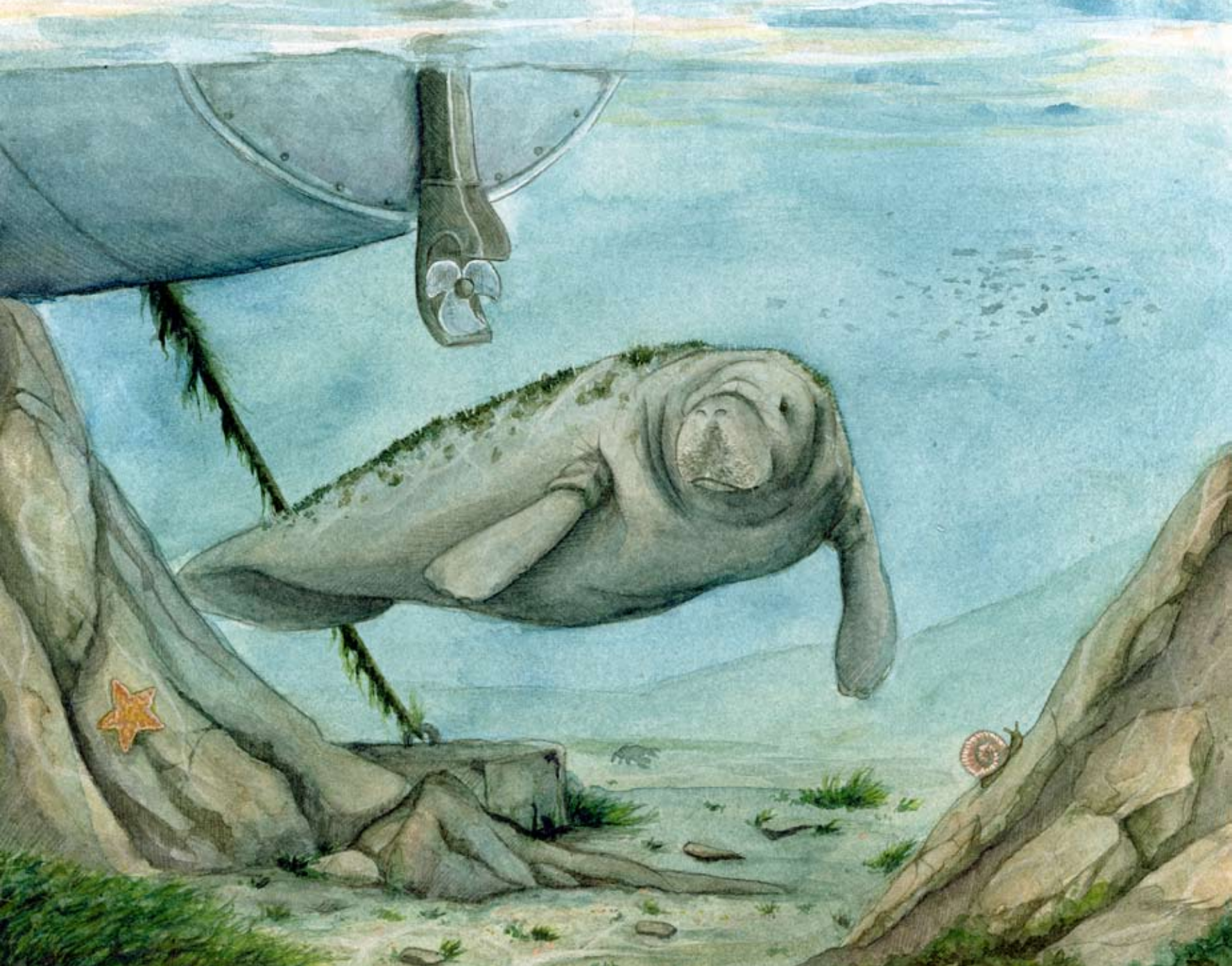
**If I were a manatee,
my cousins would be
called dugongs and
live on the other side
of the world.**



**If I were a manatee,
I might not have any
brothers or sisters.**



**If I were a manatee,
I would always watch
out for motor boats
because they move
very fast, and I swim
very slow.**



**If I were a manatee,
I would be on the
endangered species
list.**



MANATEE





Where there were once healthy populations of manatees and dugongs, now both living species are in trouble and need *your* help.

Manatees are the only fresh water **MARINE MAMMAL** living in North America and are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act and the Endangered Species Act of the United States.

Please slow down and watch for Manatees when boating in waters where manatees live. If you were a manatee, you would want people to do the same for you.