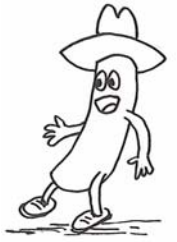


"Yuck, what is that?" cried Vicki when she stood on something slimy in the water. "It's a sea cucumber," said dad, "they belong to the same family as starfish but they have soft bodies and look like a cucumber."

"It doesn't feel like a cucumber," said Vicki. "Maybe it's a Snot sea cucumber" dad continued. They are covered in mucous slime like snot. And it gets grosser. Sea cucumbers have a mouth at one end and an anus at the other. They eat things like fish poo through their mouth, but breathe through their anus. **AND**, some people think sea cucumbers are delicious and eat them!"

That's gross!



Even though we may think they are gross, Sea cucumbers have a special place and a purpose in God's world. Every person has a place and a purpose in God's world too, no matter what they look like or who they are.

Listen to God!

Luke 5:12-15



In those days people were frightened of anyone who had leprosy and thought they were gross. Some sufferers had ugly sores or couldn't use their arms or legs. People kept out of their way and called them unclean or dirty. But Jesus didn't. He loved him. He took notice. He touched the man and healed him.

Remember God says in Isaiah 43:4

**"You are precious to me,
I love you and give you honour".**

Talk to God!

Help me to remember Lord that everything and everyone has a place and purpose in your world, even me. Thank you that all people are precious to you, and are loved by you.

Imagine you cannot use your arms. Try putting on a jumper and then taking it off again without using your arms at all.

