MY BASS BOOK

Let's PROTECT & RESTORE the Hudson River to support the striped bass life cycle!

Hudson River Park
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Draw a picture of the striped bass in its **egg** stage:

Egg: one hundred miles up the Hudson River, the striped bass' life begins in the form of an egg floating slowly downstream with thousands of other "brothers" and "sisters."

> > > SALINITY: _____ > > >

Draw a picture of the striped bass in its **larval** stage:

Larva: just a few days after fertilization, the striped bass hatches into a larva and begins swimming towards Hudson River Park's waters, relying only on its egg sac for energy.

> > > SALINITY: _____ > > >

Draw a picture of the striped bass in its **fry** stage:

Fry: protected by Hudson River Park's pile fields, the striped bass evolves into a fry, spending its "teenage" years in the Park's waters maturing and gaining weight.

> > > SALINITY: _____ > > >

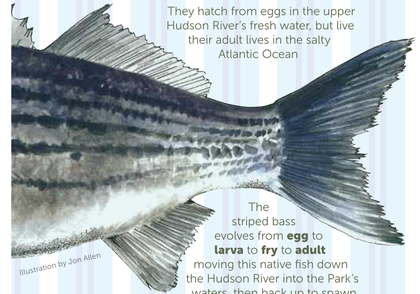
Draw a picture of the striped bass in its **adult** stage:

Adult: at over a foot and a half in length, the adult striped bass leaves its home in the piles and heads to the open ocean. After five years traveling the vast Atlantic, the striped bass, now four feet long, returns to Hudson River Park on its way back upstream to spawn.

> > > SALINITY: _____

Striped bass are *ANADROMOUS*

They hatch from eggs in the upper Hudson River's fresh water, but live their adult lives in the salty Atlantic Ocean



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The striped bass evolves from **egg** to **larva** to **fry** to **adult** moving this native fish down the Hudson River into the Park's waters, then back up to spawn