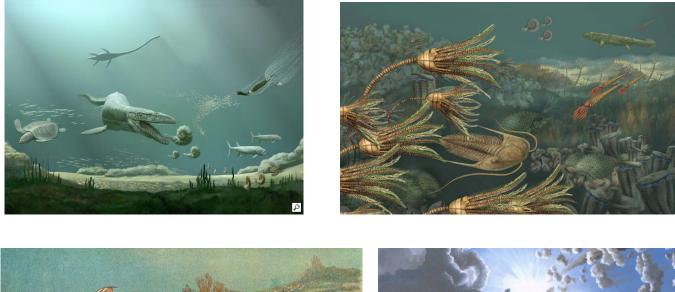
Cretaceous Marine Life





Sharks

Bony Fishes

<u>Mosasaurs</u>

a new type of aquatic marine lizard, some <u>species</u> that reached over 14 meters in length. Plesiosaurs (such as *Kronosaurus*)

Crocodiles

<u>Ichthyosaurs</u>, few

Marine Turtles

Rudistid clams

strange-looking, often gigantic reminiscent of Paleozoic horn corals

Inoceramid clams

over three meters long occurred in shallow, warm seas, including environments that were nearly devoid of oxygen.

Ammonite cephalopods

continued to diversify into amazing sizes and shapes, with some coiled forms over two meters across, and other forms that resembled an extended hook over two meters long. Plankton:

<u>Diatoms</u>

a new group of photosynthesizing marine organisms. The beautiful glassy skeletons of this group were far outnumbered by the

Limey-Shelled Coccoliths and <u>foraminifera</u>. Calcareous plankton