

Week 2 - Morphology of Fish

- Fishes are in fusiform shape. Their body is covered with scales.
- Pectoral fins are located just after operculum and pelvic fins behind pectorals. Dorsal and anal fins are located on dorsal surface and behind anus respectively.
- The tail consists of a caudal fin.
- The fins and tail are the locomotory organs in fishes. The fins are useful for swimming and balancing, whereas tail is useful for changing directions.
- Slit like mouth is found at anterior part of head.
- Branchial region and gills are enclosed by operculum.