

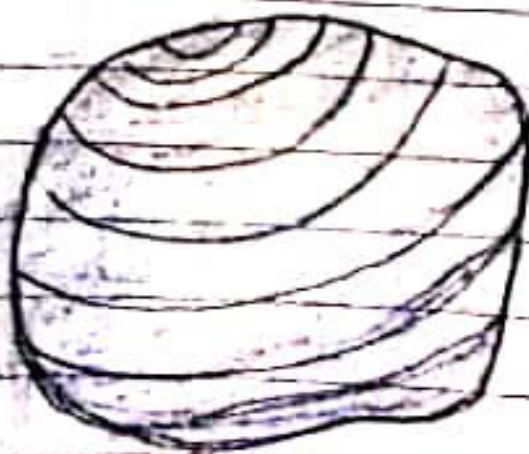
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Question: Unio kay chitra bratay hua vistar
say vadhan karay.

Ans: Unio is a genus of medium-
sized freshwater Mussels, aquatic
bivalve mollusks in the family
Unionidae, the river mussels

Unio



A Shell of unio pictorum (Painter's
(mussel), anterior and posterior

Scientific Classification

Kingdom: Animalia

Phylum: Mollusca

Class: Bivalvia

Order: Unionida

Family: Unionidae

Genus: Unio (Philippson, 1788)

Species:-

Species in the Genus Unio

Include:

- Unio caleari - extinct
- Unio anaxus Lamarck, 1819
- Unio elongatulus C. Pfeiffer, 1825
- Unio tumida (Scudder, 1852)

Distribution:

Shells of this species usually reach a size of 55-65 millimeters (2.2-2.6 in) in width and a maximum of 20 centimeters (8.3 in) in length. These freshwater snails have a chalk brown or yellowish-green periostracum. The shells are equivalve, inequilateral and oval-shaped with a rounded anterior margin and a truncated posterior margin. The suture is indented while

Distribution:

This species can be found from southeast Spain through out the Mediterranean zone south-west Africa and in the Middle East. It is present in Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy, Lebanon, Montenegro, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Syria and Turkey.