

Sea Animals

Reading Comprehension

Sharks

Sharks are one kind of fish. They live deep in the ocean where it is very cold. Sharks can be very large.

They do not have bones. They have cartilage. It is the same thing you have in your nose and ears. They have tiny slits in the side of their heads. These slits help them to breathe air. Their teeth are very sharp. Extra teeth are hidden inside. Sometimes they lose one tooth, and a new one will grow right back in. Some huge sharks can grow teeth that are as big as a hand.

Sharks like to eat meat, fish, and plants. Some sharks swim with their mouths open to catch plants. The plants stick to the sides of their mouths. Others eat seals or small animals in the ocean.

If you want to see a shark, the best and safest place is at the aquarium!

Story Questions:

1. If sharks do not have bones, what keeps them together?
 - a. cartilage
 - b. teeth
 - c. bones
 - d. hands

2. This passage is written in...
 - a. no person at all.
 - b. first person.
 - c. second person.
 - d. third person.

3. Where is the safest place to see a shark?
- a. a park
 - b. a circus
 - c. an aquarium

Journal Writing

4. Would you rather have a shark or a dolphin as a pet? **Write** 3-5 sentences to tell which one you would like best and why.

Word Problems

5. **Read** the word problems below and **write** the answers.
- ★ A family of five sharks is throwing a party and inviting their friends. They sent invitations to 3 lobsters, 5 jellyfish, 7 turtles, and 10 seahorses. How many sea animals in total will be at the party?
 - ★ They will be ordering pizza for the party and want to make sure everyone receives 2 slices. If each pizza has 8 slices, how many pizzas will they need to order?

Fun Stuff!

6. [Zoo Yoga: Watch this video to learn all about animal yoga poses and then try them yourself!](#)