

SHARKS

Misunderstood Animals: #1

Animal Type:

- ☐ Amphibian
- ☐ Bird
- ☐ Fish
- ☐ Invertebrate
- ☐ Mammal
- ☐ Reptile

Diet:

- ☐ Herbivore
- ☐ Carnivore
- ☐ Omnivore
- ☐ Other

Habitat:

- ☐ Freshwater
- ☐ Saltwater
- ☐ Land

Basic stats:

Number of species: _____

Largest: _____

Smallest: _____

Fastest shark: _____

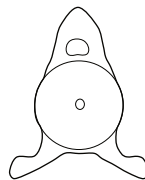
Fastest human swimmer: _____

FACT OR FICTION?

Sharks have to swim constantly, otherwise they will suffocate.



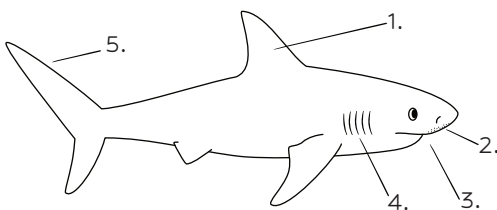
Sharks don't have any bones. Their vertebrae are made out of cartilage.



Every year, hundreds of people are bitten by sharks while swimming near the beaches of Florida.



Match each feature with its corresponding function:



1 Dermal Denticles

2 Jelly-filled pores (Ampullae of Lorenzini)

3 "Conveyor-Belt" Teeth

4 5-7 External Gill Slits

5 Heterocercal tail

Streamlines the water flow and protects the shark from injury

Provides maximum oxygen uptake while swimming

Ensures a lifetime supply of sharp teeth

Detects faint electric fields for better navigation & hunting

Provides upward thrust and lift while swimming

Favorite Shark Fact: