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: _____
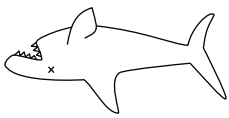
Smallest: _____

Fastest shark: _____
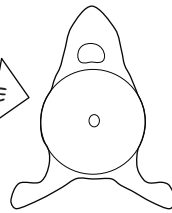
Fastest human swimmer: _____

FACT OR FICTION?

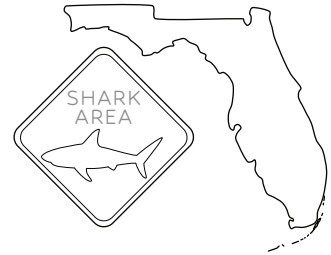Sharks have to swim constantly, otherwise they will suffocate.
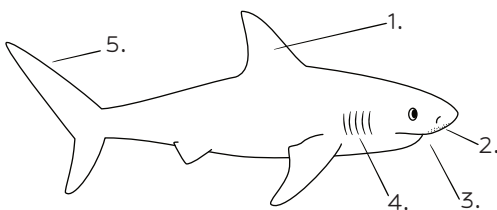
OOPS. LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE STOPPED SWIMMING.

Sharks don't have any bones.

100% CARTILAGE

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

SHARK AREA

Match each feature with its corresponding function:

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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:

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