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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Sharks are different from most fish because _____.
 - Ⓐ they live in oceans around the world
 - Ⓑ they have rough skin
 - Ⓒ they come to the surface to breathe
 - Ⓓ they are eaten by people
2. Why is losing a tooth not a problem for a shark?
 - Ⓐ When a shark loses a tooth, another tooth takes its place.
 - Ⓑ Sharks don't get old enough to lose teeth.
 - Ⓒ Shark teeth never fall out.
 - Ⓓ Sharks die if a tooth is lost.
3. A shark can sense movement in water. How does this help a shark?
 - Ⓐ It helps a shark to find other fish easily.
 - Ⓑ It helps a shark to swim faster.
 - Ⓒ It helps a shark stay away from people.
 - Ⓓ It helps a shark eat bigger fish.
4. How are the teeth of sharks that eat shellfish different from other shark teeth?
 - Ⓐ They are longer.
 - Ⓑ They are sharper.
 - Ⓒ There are more of them.
 - Ⓓ They are flatter.
5. What is **cartilage**?
 - Ⓐ a sharp tooth
 - Ⓑ the tissue that makes up a shark's skeleton
 - Ⓒ a type of plant that sharks eat
 - Ⓓ a type of fish that sharks eat

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6. Why would someone be afraid of a whale shark?
 - Ⓐ Whale sharks are very dangerous.
 - Ⓑ Whale sharks are very large sharks.
 - Ⓒ Whale sharks swim really fast.
 - Ⓓ Whale sharks attack many people.
7. What is the main point of the section titled "Shark Attacks"?
 - Ⓐ Shark attacks only happen in deep water.
 - Ⓑ Sharks don't attack humans very often.
 - Ⓒ Sharks are always hunting people.
 - Ⓓ Sharks never attack people.
8. Why is it important that sharks don't all die?
 - Ⓐ They eat dangerous fish.
 - Ⓑ They are pretty to look at.
 - Ⓒ They are an important source of food.
 - Ⓓ They are part of the balance of life in oceans.
9. Which of the following is not true of most sharks?
 - Ⓐ They have good eyesight.
 - Ⓑ They have powerful, streamlined bodies.
 - Ⓒ They have several rows of sharp teeth.
 - Ⓓ They have a poor sense of smell.
10. What is the main idea of this book?
 - Ⓐ Sharks are interesting and important.
 - Ⓑ Sharks eat many kinds of fish.
 - Ⓒ Sharks live in some oceans.
 - Ⓓ Sharks are eaten by people.
11. **Extended Response:** Why did the author write this book?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Sharks

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
2. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
5. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
7. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that the author wanted to inform readers about sharks.