

Sharks



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Sharks are “streamlined” ; their shape helps them to move very quickly through the water. They have strong tails , fins and smooth skin . However, if you stroke the skin the wrong way—it’s as rough as sandpaper!

A shark never runs out of teeth—they have up to 15 rows of sharp teeth which keep renewing throughout their lives.

Not all sharks live in the sea . Some, like the Bull Shark ,can survive in river and sea water. The Bull Shark actually changes things in its blood to survive in both.

That’s amazing!

Pictures : Goblin, Hammerhead and Bull sharks



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shark

fins

tail

swim

ocean

predatory

whale

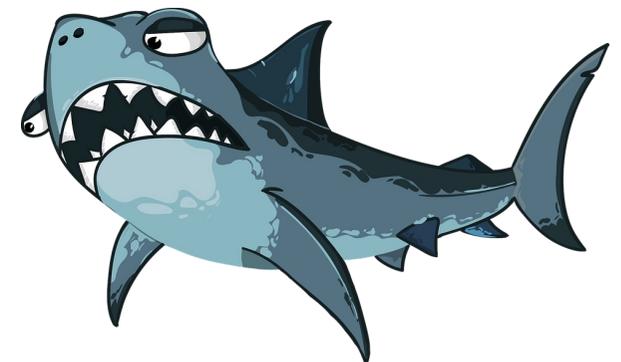
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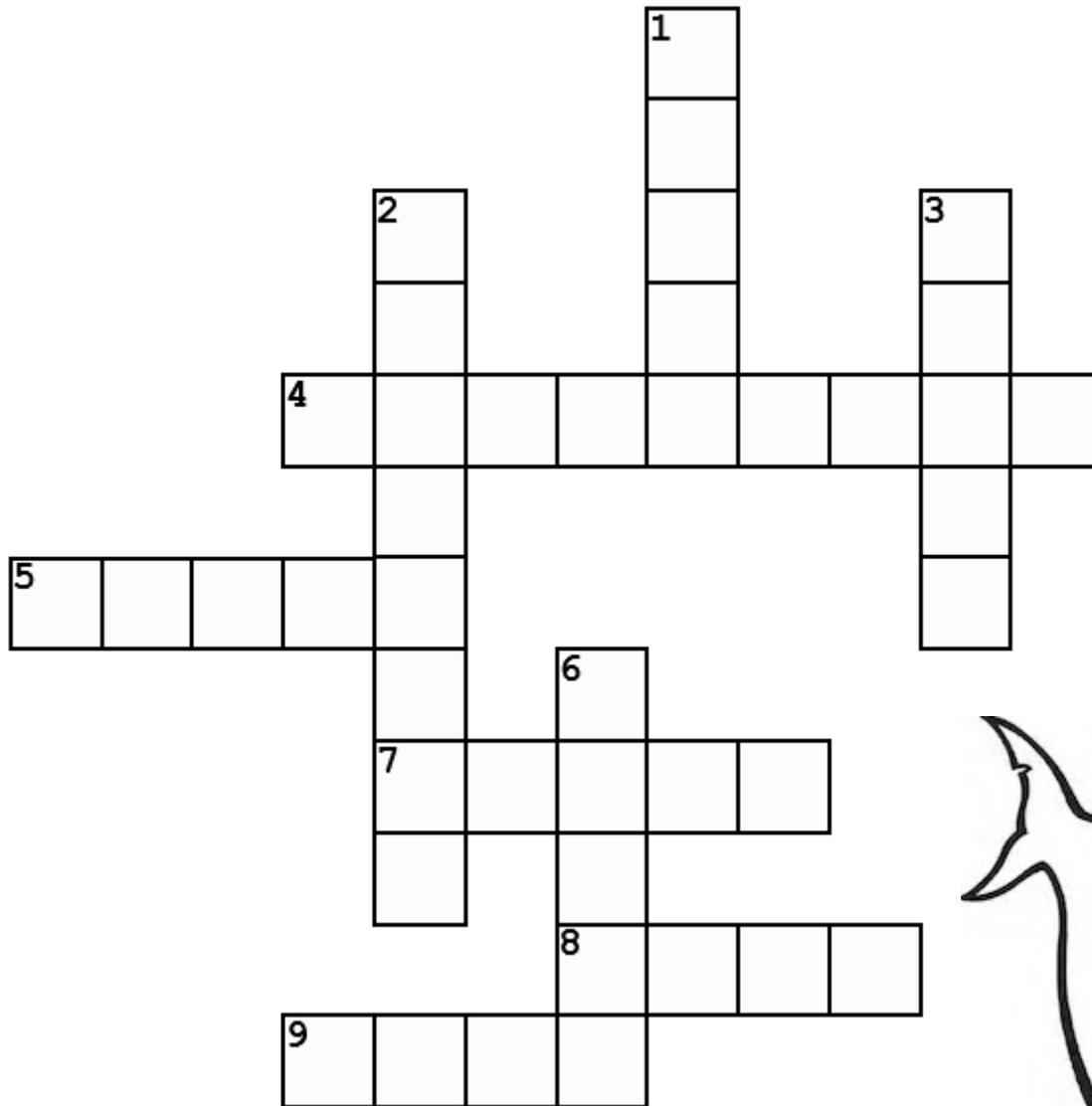
fish

streamlined

rough

skin



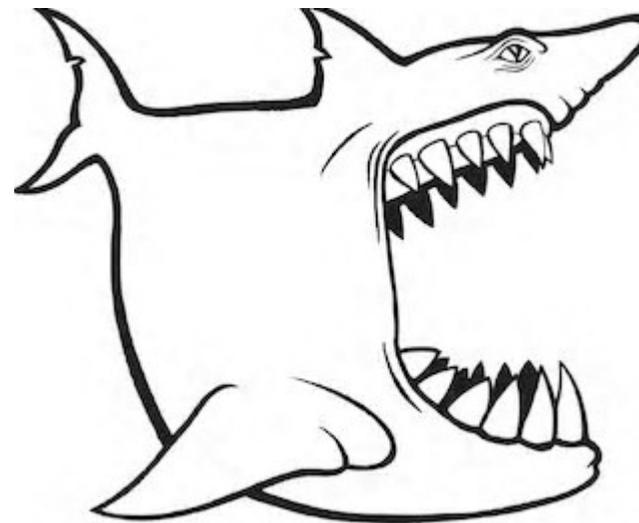


Across

- 4. NOT SAFE
- 5. A LARGE FISH
- 7. ANOTHER WORD FOR SEA
- 8. THIS HELPS A FISH SWIM
- 9. A SEA CREATURE

Down

- 1. A HUGE SEA MAMMAL
- 2. AN IMPORTANT OCEAN FOOD SOURCE
- 3. A WORD TO DESCRIBE A SHARK'S SKIN
- 6. SHARKS HAVE HUNDREDS OF THESE!



- TEETH FISH
- DANGEROUS
- OCEAN WHALE
- PLANKTON
- ROUGH TAIL
- SHARK



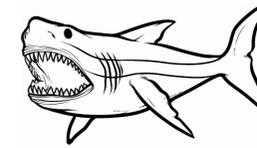
Plankton is microscopic . It is food for the largest mammals on earth. It is vital to the food chain; without it , there would be no fish in the sea and no Polar bears in the Arctic. Plastics in the sea have a negative effect on plankton.

Look up information about plankton to find out for yourself why it is so important.

True, False or Unsure? ✓ X neu ?

All sharks live in the sea. <input type="checkbox"/>	Some sharks can live in rivers. <input type="checkbox"/>	The great white shark is the biggest of all. <input type="checkbox"/>
The whale shark is the biggest type of shark. <input type="checkbox"/>	Sharks are fish. <input type="checkbox"/>	Many sharks hunt other animals. <input type="checkbox"/>
Sharks are mammals <input type="checkbox"/>	All sharks are dangerous. <input type="checkbox"/>	Some sharks eat only plankton. <input type="checkbox"/>
A shark has a streamlined shape. <input type="checkbox"/>	Sharks have many rows of teeth. <input type="checkbox"/>	All sharks are predatory. <input type="checkbox"/>

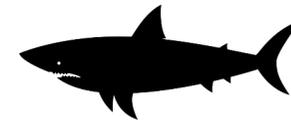
Re-read the texts and answer the following questions:



Which word or phrase tells us that sharks hunt other animals?	
Which word or phrase tells us sharks have the ideal shape to move through water?	
Which word or phrase tells us that a shark's skin isn't as smooth as it might look?	
Which word or phrase tells us that a bull shark can adapt to its environment?	
Plankton : what is another word for "important"?	
Which sentence explains why it is important to keep plastics out of the sea?	
Write 3 verbs from the text.	
Write 3 nouns from the text.	

Visit <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/sea-life/great-white-sharks/>

The Great White Shark



What is a young shark called?

The great white shark is a “top predator”; what does this mean?

What animal is the great white shark’s only enemy?

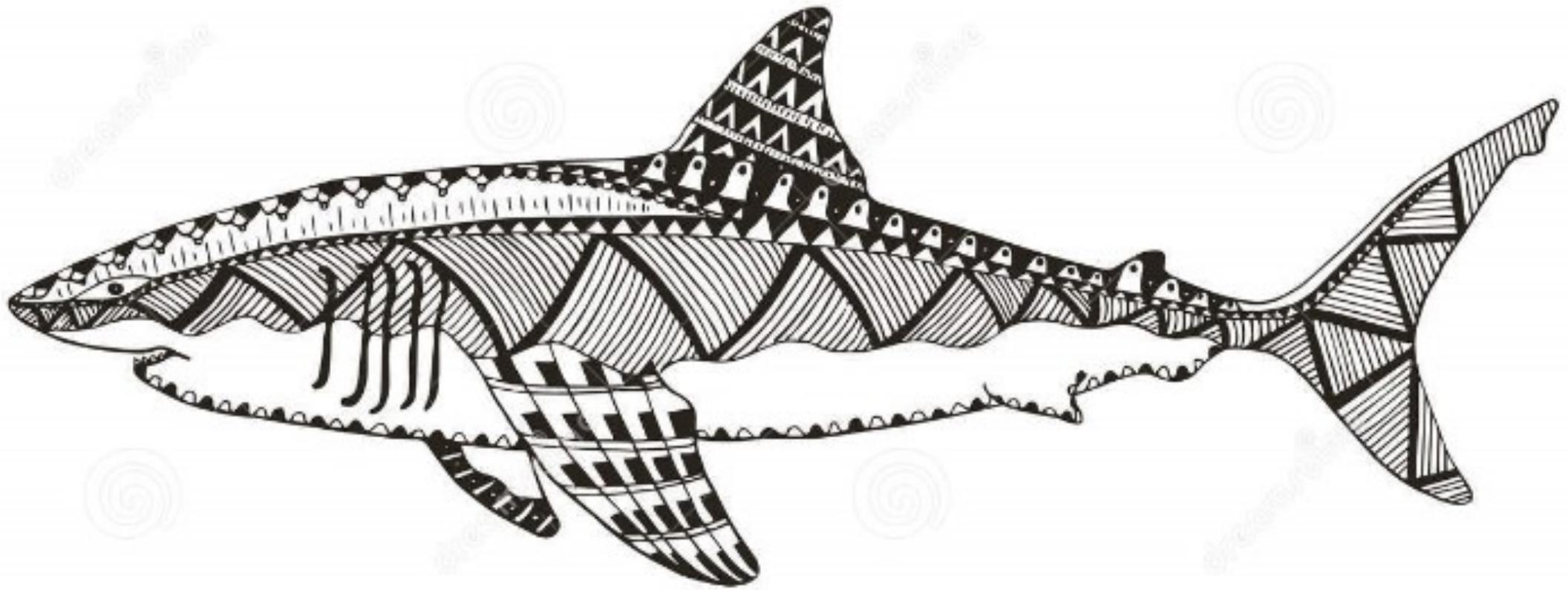
Where are great whites mostly found?

How fast can the great white shark swim?

What is a “breach”?

List the animals that the great white eats.

Use the internet to discover different types of sharks . List them below:



Can you create your own shark zentangle picture?

<p>True = ✓</p> <p>False = X</p> <p>Unsure = ?</p>	lives all over the world	eats meat	mammal	fish	very fast swimmer	dan-gerous	endan-gered	lives in a group	lays egg	produces milk
 <p>shark</p>										
 <p>orca or "killer whale"</p>										
 <p>blue whale</p>										

Check your facts!

Connect the terms with their correct definitions:

Read these words, what do they mean? Connect each word with its correct meaning

predatory	clever
endangered	not good, opposite of positive
plankton	in danger of becoming very rare or even extinct
pack	a group of animals that hunt together
intelligent	very small
negative	microscopic sea creatures
microscopic	An adjective that describes an animal that hunts others

Answer the following questions to write a fact file about the shark

What is a shark? — fish, powerful etc

What other animals are similar to the shark?

Where do sharks live?

Name the shark's body parts:

What do sharks eat?

What does the shark do? i.e. hunt

Can you think of interesting facts about the shark?

What other animals are similar?

Where do they live?

What is a shark?



What else can you say about the shark? Do you have a favourite?

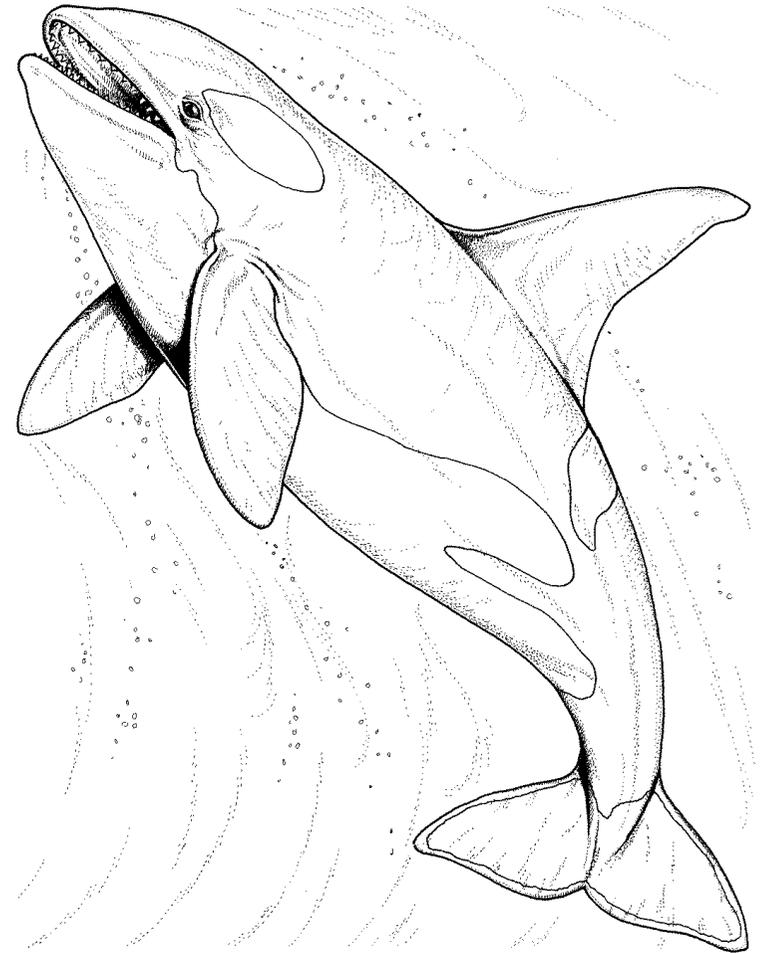
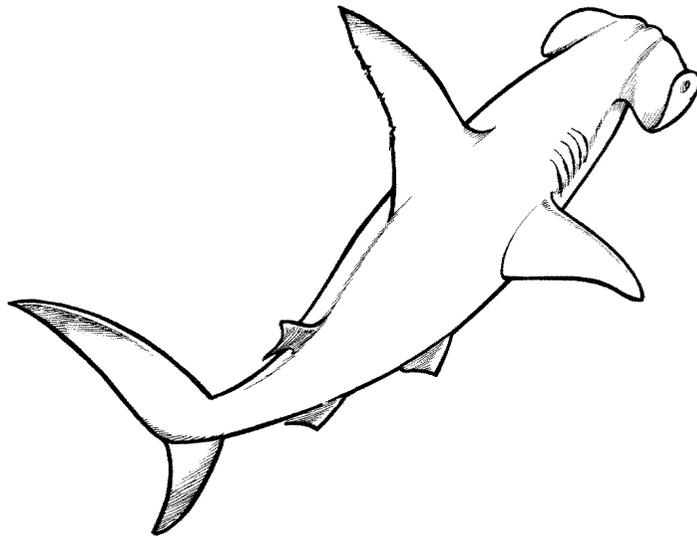
Describe their appearance

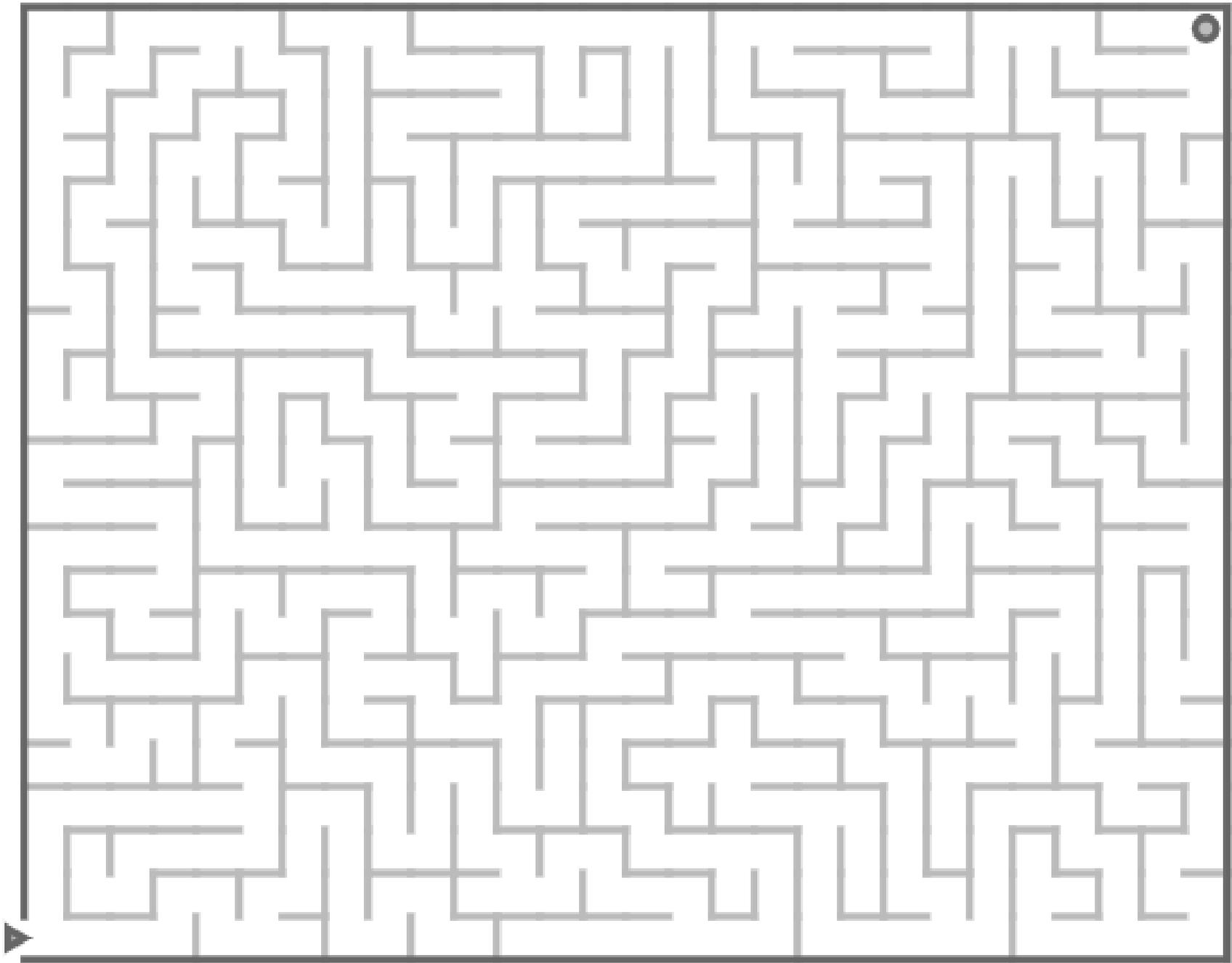
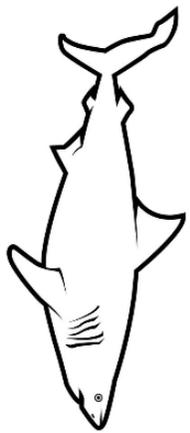
What can they do?

What do they eat?

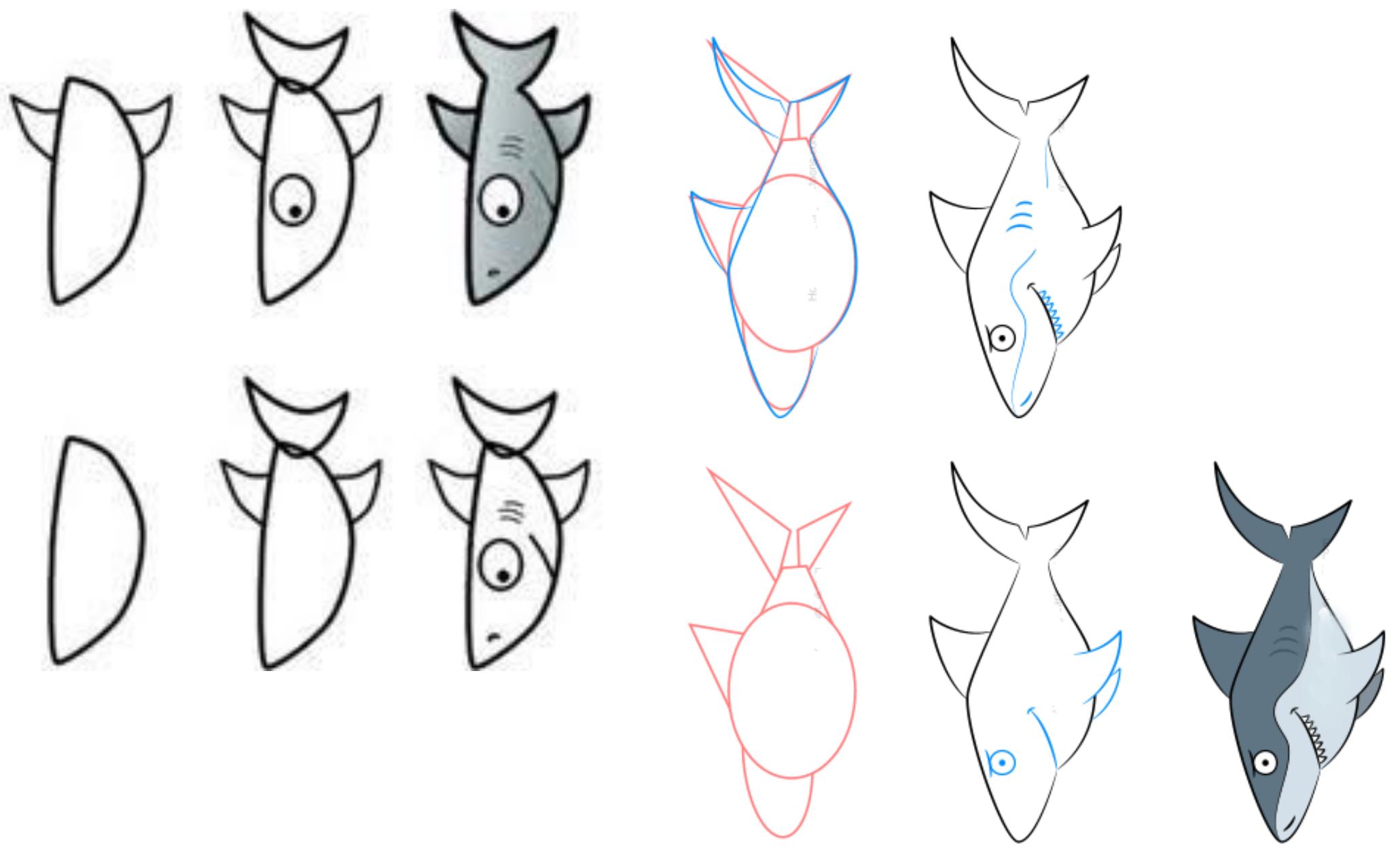
Punctuation: Use a biro to circle the errors in the text and re-write the text correctly.

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Learn how to draw a cartoon shark.



Symmetry: Complete the picture

