

Whales live in the ocean, but they are not fish. They are mammals.

They are warm blooded.

The baby whale grows inside its mother until it is ready to be born.

Whale calves feed on their mother's milk.

Whales breathe air. They have lungs and a blowhole in the top of their heads. They don't spray water, but warm air makes steam when they breathe out.

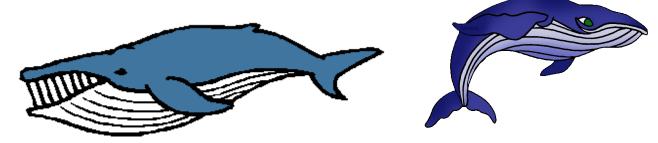
Blow hole



Some whales can stay under water for up to an hour and a half, but the usual dive is for half an hour.

There are two kinds of whale.

- **1. Toothed** whales eat fish or other animals in the sea.
- 2. Baleen whales feed on krill (tiny shrimps) and plankton which is sucked in through the baleen plates.



Baleen whale 🙇

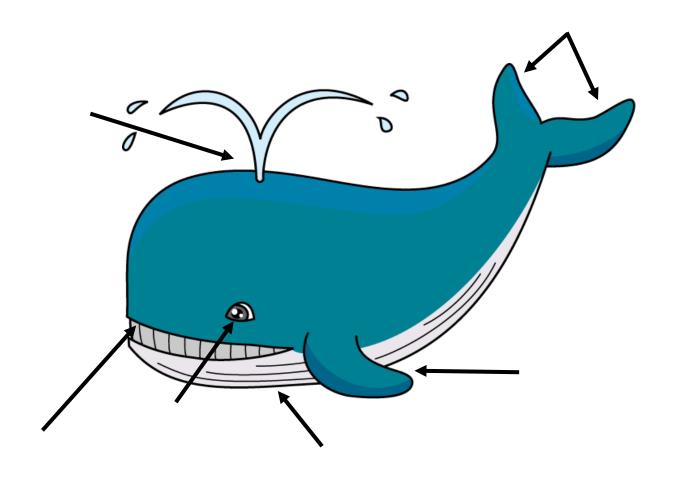
Toothed whale





Label the parts of the whale:

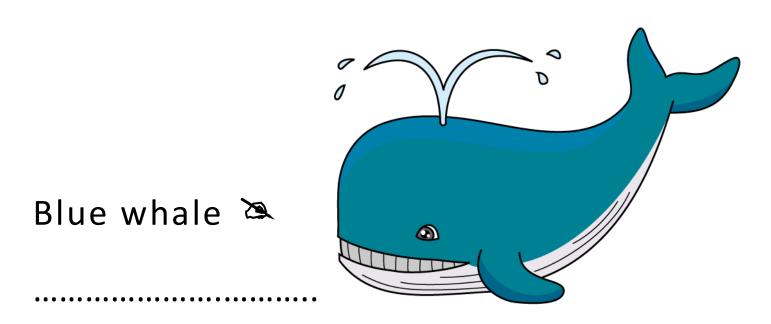
(A) blowhole(B) flukes(C) flipper(D) eye(E) baleen(F) grooves



Krill	
Plankton	
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Some baleen whales such as the Blue whale and the humpback sing to each other under the water. They are very loud and some can be heard 850 kilometres away.

The blue whale is the largest animal in the world. It is bigger than the largest dinosaur.



Whales don't sleep like we do.

So they don't drown in the water they rest only half their brain. The other half reminds them to breathe in air.

They rest near the top of the water.

Put these facts in the correct column:

Don't lay eggs / Lay eggs

Have scales / have skin

Breathe water / Breathe air

Have gills / Have lungs

Warm blooded / Cold blooded

No milk for babies / Milk for babies

WHALES	FISH
Don't lay eggs	Lay eggs

How big is a blue whale?

It weighs 150 tonnes,
the same as 30 small buses.

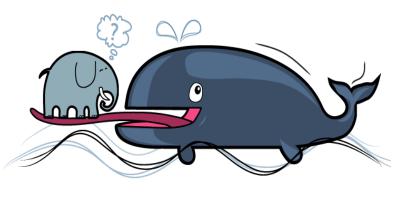


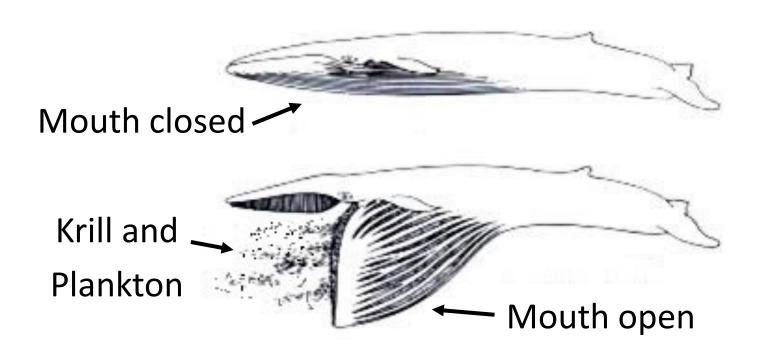


A whale's heart is 2 metres tall.

(This is a model heart)

A whale's tongue weighs as much as an elephant - 3 tonnes





Choose the correct answer:

How long can whales stay under water?

- (a) 10 minutes
- (b) 4 hours
- (c) 1 ½ hours

How much does a blue whale weigh?

- (a) 150 tonnes
- (b) 30 tonnes
- (c) 2 tonnes

How tall is a blue whale's heart?

- (a) 1 metres
- (b) 2 metres
- (c) 3 metres

How much does a blue whale's tongue weigh?

- (a) 10 tonnes
- (b) 30 kilograms
- (c) 3 tonnes

Fill the gaps:

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TOOTHED OCEAN CALVES
FISH HEADS BLOWHOLE AIR
WHALES KRILL PLANKTON BALEEN

Missing vowels: a e i o u

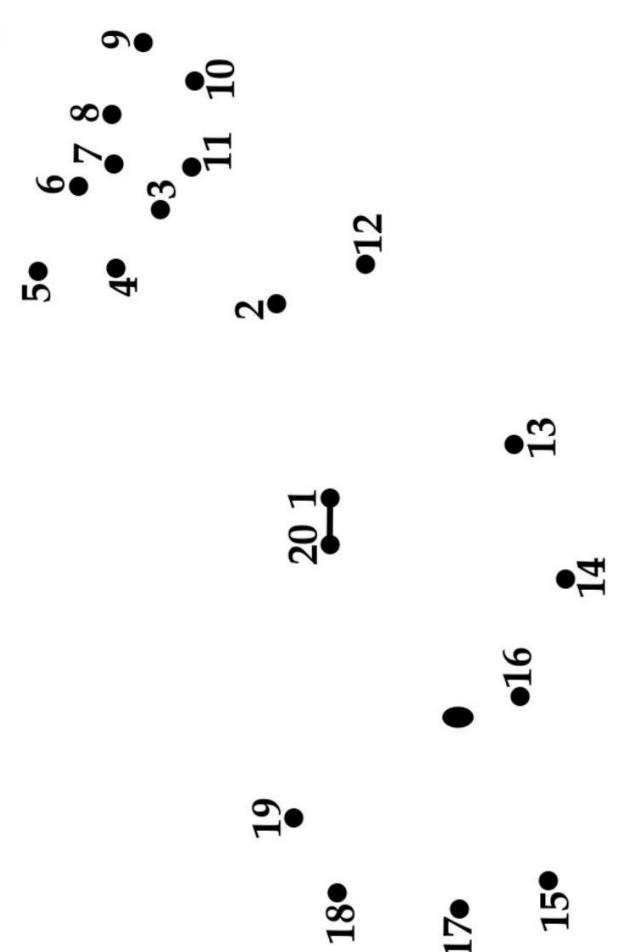
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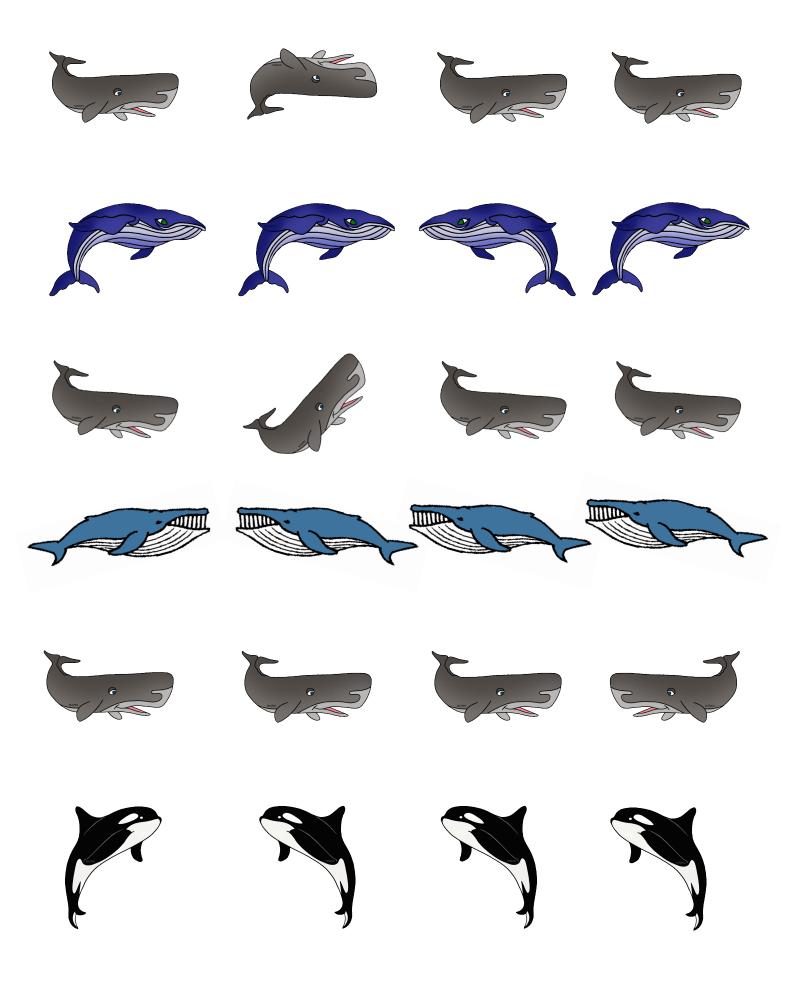
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Join the dots from 1 to 20

Circle the whale that is different in each row



How Many?

