

Whales and Dolphins

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1. The two major kinds of whales are toothed whales and -----
 - a. baleen whales
 - b. dolphins
 - c. killer whales
 - d. rorqual whales

2. Whales breathe oxygen using
 - a. blowholes
 - b. baleen
 - c. gills
 - d. noses

3. Echolocation is
 - a. the way whales find objects using sound
 - b. a name for the special song that whales sing during mating season
 - c. the way whales poke their heads above the water to look around
 - d. a method of communicating with humans

4. Why do male humpback whales sing songs?
 - a. To attract a mate
 - b. To scare off predators
 - c. To attract fish for feeding
 - d. To calm their babies

5. What is a pod?
 - a. A group of whales such as killer whales
 - b. A school of fish
 - c. A part of the whale used for diving under water
 - d. A place in the ocean where a whale lives

6. Killer whales are also known as
 - a. Orcas
 - b. Dolphins
 - c. Porpoises
 - d. Sharks

7. Which type of whale can dive the deepest?
 - a. Sperm whales
 - b. Killer whales
 - c. Right whales
 - d. Baleen whales

8. Why do whales grow so large?
 - a. The water supports the weight of their bodies.
 - b. They don't have any predators.
 - c. They are related to dinosaurs.
 - d. They live longer than other animals.

9. Where do baleen whales migrate during mating season?
 - a. To warm, tropical waters
 - b. To cold, arctic waters
 - c. To the Mediterranean Sea
 - d. Into the Hudson Bay

10. What is a nursery group?
 - a. Female whales called "aunts" caring for a group of calves
 - b. Male whales caring for groups of calves while the mothers feed
 - c. When a female whale has more than one baby at a time
 - d. The name for a group of young blue whales