



WHALES

1. What is the biggest animal on earth?
2. Name the 2 main types of whales.
3. Discuss how these 2 types catch and eat food. What kind of food do each of them eat?
4. Are whales fish or mammals? What is the difference between fish and whales?
5. What do whales breath out of?
6. Name 3 kinds of whales that have teeth and draw or color pictures of each.
7. Which whale is known for it's singing?
8. Name 3 kinds of baleen whales.
9. What does blubber do for a whale?
10. Read the story about Jonah and the great fish.
11. Read about the beluga whale. What is unique about it?

HELPS:

1. Blue whale
2. Toothed whales and Baleen (or whalebone) whales.
3. Baleen--swim with mouth open, take in water and fish and plankton, close mouth, drain water out. Plankton, fish, trapped in baleen. Tongue scoops up food and swallows it. Toothed whales use teeth for catching food, then swallow food whole.
4. Mammals are animals that have lungs and breathe air (just like you and me). When we go swimming we have to come up to the surface for a gulp of air. Whales do, too. Whale babies drink milk from mother and have hair at least during one stage of life.
5. Blowhole.
6. Porpoise, dolphin, killer whale, narwhales, beluga, sperm.
7. Humpback.
8. Blue, humpback, bow-head, fin, gray, minke.
9. Keeps them warm.