



Sharks and Rays Quiz

1) What is a shark's skeleton made of?	Bone	Cartilage	They don't have one
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2) How many different species of shark are there in the world?	28	375	750
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3) Can sharks replace their teeth?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes - new teeth are continually grown in a groove above the shark's mouth• Yes - They have a set of baby teeth and then adult teeth• No – they have the same set for life		
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4) How do sharks stay afloat?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Their livers are rich in oil which helps them float.• They have a swim bladder• They use their fins to help stay afloat		
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5) As well as sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch, sharks have a sixth sense. What is it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• They use echolocation to help them see what's around them• They can sense electrical signals made by their prey.• They have infrared vision		
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6) What is the largest fish in the world?	Basking Shark	Great white shark	Whale shark
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7) Why do small spotted catshark and nursehound egg-cases (mermaids purses) have curly tendrils on them?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To scare off predators• To attach to the base of seaweed to stop them being washed away• To catch prey		
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8) How long does a catshark stay in the egg case before emerging?	9 months	3 months	18 months
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9) What are the "wings" on a ray?	Its tail	Large flat pectoral fins	Its gill slits
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10) Catsharks hunt at night – What does their diet mainly consist of?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crabs, whelks & small bony fish• Seals and other small mammals• Seaweed and algae		
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(Answer: 375)

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(Answer: Their livers are rich in oil which helps them float)

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(Answer: They can sense electrical signals made by their prey)

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(Answer: Whale shark)

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(Answer: To attach to the base of seaweed to stop them being washed away)

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(Answer: 9 months)

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(Answer: The large, flat pectoral fins)

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(Answer: Crabs, whelks & small bony fish)