

Card 1 - Sharks

Sharks can be found in every ocean, and some types of sharks can even



be found in fresh water. Most sharks are meat eaters, and can smell a drop of blood from over 400m away. Lots of people are scared of sharks, but shark attacks are rare. Out of over 500 types of shark, only about 15 types have ever attacked a person.

The most well-known type of shark is the great white shark which can grow to 5m long and move at speeds of up to 15mph. The great white shark gives birth to live babies (pups), although most sharks lay their eggs in a safe place to hatch.

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Questions

- R** 1. From how far can sharks smell blood?
- R** 2. What are baby sharks called?
- U** 3. What does 'shark attacks are rare' mean?
- A** 4. In the text, which words tell you that some sharks don't eat meat?
- A** 5. Why do you think that lots of people are scared of sharks?
- E** 6. Do you think that it is safe to swim with sharks? Why?
- C** 7. Using this text to help, design your own shark fact card.



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Card 2 - It's here...

Its eyes, gleaming

Its tongue, licking

Its teeth, gnashing

It's here...

Its feet, stomping

Its tail, swishing

Its claws, scratching

It's here...

Its hands, gripping

Its breath, stinking

Its mouth, opening

It's...



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Questions

- R** 1. What is 'It'?
- U** 2. What does 'Its teeth, gnashing' mean?
- A** 3. How would you react if 'It' was coming towards you?
- A** 4. What do you think 'It' was 'gripping' in the third verse?
- A** 5. Why do you think that the last line was different?
- E** 6. What do you think 'It' was doing in each verse? Why?
- C** 7. Create your own verse for this poem.



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