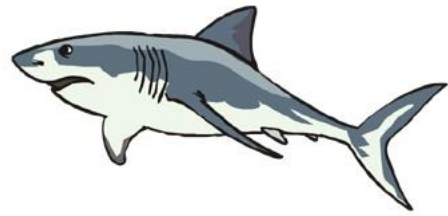


# Shark Cloze Reading



Fill in the blanks with the words in the boxes.

## Sharks: Basic Facts

rows	fish	gills	scales	fins
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Sharks are \_\_\_\_\_. They have \_\_\_\_\_ to help them breathe and \_\_\_\_\_ to help them swim. They have \_\_\_\_\_ on their skin and \_\_\_\_\_ of teeth in their mouths.

## Sharks Pups

birth	eggs	ashore	pups	mermaid
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Shark babies are called \_\_\_\_\_. Some sharks give \_\_\_\_\_ to live pups. Other sharks lay \_\_\_\_\_ in hard cases. Sometimes these egg cases wash \_\_\_\_\_. If people find them on the beach, they call them \_\_\_\_\_ purses.

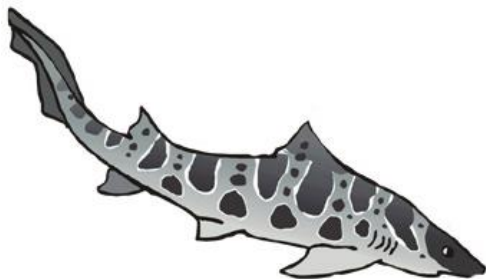
## Monsters of the Sea?

attacks	mistake	harmless	afraid	vicious
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Many people are \_\_\_\_\_ of sharks. They think sharks are \_\_\_\_\_ monsters. But in truth, shark \_\_\_\_\_ are very rare. Most sharks are \_\_\_\_\_. Often when sharks do attack, they \_\_\_\_\_ people for seals or other prey.

## Endangered Animals

breed	endangered	soup	overfishing
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Many sharks are \_\_\_\_\_ because of \_\_\_\_\_. That means they are close to becoming extinct. In some countries, people use the shark fins to make \_\_\_\_\_. Sharks \_\_\_\_\_ very slowly so it takes a long time for some species to increase their numbers.