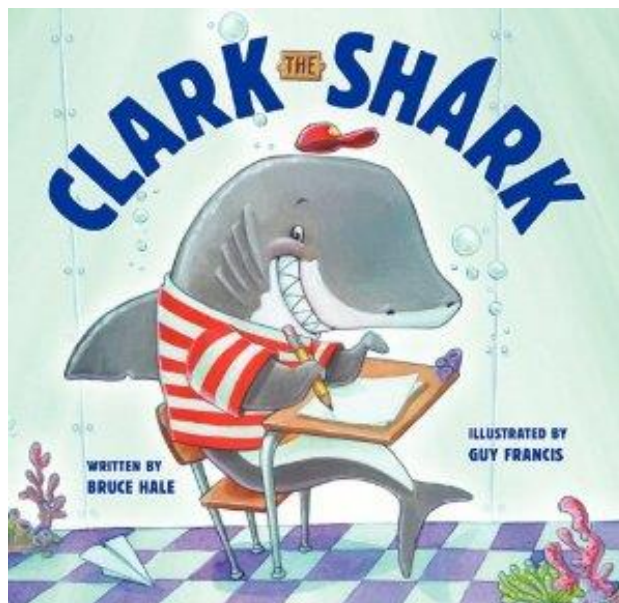


Find the Fib Activity

Discovery's Shark Week is always right around the time that school starts back and so even while you are reading Clark the Shark to your class they may be sharing shark facts with you. This activity will help you introduce the difference between fiction and nonfiction to your class.

To complete this activity you take 3 non-fictional statements about sharks and 1 fictional statement about sharks and put them in front of the class. You read each statement to the class and then they try to figure out which statement is the fib (or fictional) statement.

You can extend this activity by having your families send in three statements and one fib about their student. Each student can come up and let the class guess which statement is the fib about that student. It's a fun way to get to know the students in your class while reinforcing the skills they learned with this Clark the Shark activity.



Shark Nonfictional Statements

Shark babies are called pups.

Sharks don't have a bone in their bodies. This lets them move around quicker.

Sharks lose a lot of teeth but they always have new teeth waiting to move to the front.

Shark mommies don't take care of their babies. Their babies have to swim away quickly so they don't get eaten.

Sharks have a great sense of smell.

Sharks have things that act like mirrors on their eyes to help them see underwater.

There are over 400 different varieties of sharks.

Some sharks can live up to 150 years.

Some sharks lay eggs in the ocean, some lay eggs that hatch in the mommy shark or other sharks have babies.

Only 10 types of sharks are man-eating sharks.

Some sharks are almost extinct because humans fish for them too often. Some people like to eat shark meat.

Sharks need a clean ocean to live in because they eat other fish that live in clean water.

Some sharks can swim up to 20 miles per hour. The Shortfin Mako Shark can swim up to 60 miles per hour.

The Whale Shark is the biggest shark in the world.

When a shark gets hurt, it heals quickly.

Shark skin was used as sandpaper before sandpaper was invented.

Sharks used to be called "sea dogs".

The spots on the whale shark are like fingerprints. Each shark's spots are unique to them.

Some people in the world hunt sharks just to get their fins so they can make Fin Soup.

Sharks can swim up to 100 miles a day.

Some sharks never stop swimming.

Sharks a type of fish.

Some sharks have heavy bodies and if they stop swimming they will sink.

Sharks can have up to 3,000 teeth at one time.

Sharks use their sense of hearing first when they are hunting for something to eat.

Shark Fictional Statements

(mark an F on back of these statement to remember which ones are fiction)

A shark can grow back a fin if it gets cut off.

Sharks are not smart animals.

Shark meat is poisonous to humans.

Sharks favorite thing to eat is people.

Sharks are hard to kill.