

Listening Comprehension – Sharkwater (Youtube series)

YouTube Sharkwater Part 1 – Introduction to Sharks

Pair and group warm-up discussion: What do you know about sharks?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. Sharks are Rob’s favourite animals on earth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Rob is an accountant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Sharks are important to life on earth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Sharks are not afraid of humans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Sharks have been around for 400 million years, before dinosaurs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Sharks have remained unchanged over the years	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Sharks have shaped the world and other animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Some sharks take at least 10 years to reach sexual maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Name three things that “Shark Defense” suggests people do when they see a shark		



YouTube Sharkwater Part 2 – The Galapagos

Pair and group warm-up discussion:

What fishing methods does the fishing industry use? What are their impacts?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. The movie “Jaws” and the media have presented an unbalanced picture of sharks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Generally, sharks are incredibly shy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Hammerhead sharks can feel a person’s heartbeat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Hammerhead sharks are not naturally afraid of people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Hammerheads use magnetic fields to navigate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Like other sharks, hammerheads are solitary animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. A new species of hammerhead sharks was found in 2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Hammerhead sharks kill a lot of people each year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. The 60 mile-long fishing line has 16,000 baited hooks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Long-line fishing is legal in the Galapagos.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Name three animals that have been killed by long line fishing techniques		

11. Removing sharks from the top of the food chain will upset the balance of the whole ecosystem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Oceans are the life support system of our planet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. If the oceans change, lives on earth will also change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 3 – Lack Of Protection for Sharks

Pair and group warm-up discussion: Are sharks generally dangerous to humans?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. Sharks enjoy eating humans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. More people die by shark attack than any other method	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. In one year, crocodiles kill more people than sharks have in the past 100 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Crocodiles are protected, but not sharks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Great white sharks are now endangered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Most sharks are very picky eaters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. In shark attacks, flesh is always removed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. More people die each year from incidents with soda pop vending machines than sharks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Whales are protected, sharks are not	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Paul Wilson has ended whaling in the South Pacific	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. What does Sea Shepherd do?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 4 – Driven to Extinction

Pair and group warm-up discussion: What do you think of shark fin soup?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. In Asia, shark fin soup is commonly seen as a symbol of wealth and served at special occasions as a sign for respect for guests	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Costa Rica does not have enough money to protect sharks in its waters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. The Costa Rican government asked Sea Shepherd for help.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The Ocean Warrior set off from San Francisco.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Shark fins are full of taste and flavour, even without the soup base.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. A pound of shark fins is worth over US\$200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Sharks have been the oceans’ apex predators for over 400 million years, until now	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Whale sharks are safe because they are protected	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Whale sharks feed on tiny plankton and have no teeth.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Name two sharks that are endangered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 5 – Who and What Is Protected

Pair and group warm-up discussion:

How can we protect marine life in international waters?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. It has been scientifically proven that sharks cure diseases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Sharks are heavily contaminated with mercury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Upon catching a shark, fishermen keep the whole body for consumption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The shark fin industry is commonly associated with “black market” money	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Laws and regulations are generally reinforced in international waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Most ways of commercial fishing are extremely wasteful.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Paul Watson was the cameraman on Sea Shepherd	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. The crew from Sea Shepherd was arrested.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Sea Shepherd was invited by the Costa Rican President to protect Coco Island from illegal fishing.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 6 – Troubled Waters

Pair and group warm-up discussion:

Can conservation laws be properly enforced when large amounts of money are involved in shark finning?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. Sharkwater accused the Costa Rican authorities of being “paid off”, or bribed, by the Taiwanese mafia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Shark finning is legal in Costa Rica	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Shark fins make millions of dollars for the people of Costa Rica	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The Costa Ricans dry shark fins on roofs of warehouses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. The Taiwanese mafia have built highways and bridges specifically to support their shark finning business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. An estimated 100 million sharks are killed per year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Costa Rica is seen as a safe place for the Sea Shepherd film crew to stay.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 7 – Lost Battle

Pair and group warm-up discussion: How can we save sharks?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. We fully understand how the ecosystem works.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. It is legal to take sharks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. We know exactly what is going to happen if we remove a large number of predators from the top of the food chain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Divers can die from getting something called “the bends”	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Animals on the Galapagos depends on the ocean for survival	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Sharks have shaped the physical evolution of the Galapagos seals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Some believe that human surfers look to sharks like injured seals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Hundreds of people are attacked by sharks each year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Rob has a flesh-eating disease.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. The doctor said that he would lose his legs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Sea Shepherd is staying in the Galapagos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. It is illegal to do long line fishing in the Galapagos.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Sharks are currently the most threatened group of species on the planet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. There are lots of campaigns around the world to help save sharks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 8 – Evolution Around Sharks

Pair and group warm-up discussion: How have sharks influenced evolution?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. Some shark populations have declined by 90% in recent decades	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Paul Watson is off to Antarctica to try to stop legal whaling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. More than 1.5 million sharks have been killed in 6 days.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Planktons convert carbon dioxide into oxygen, thus providing 70% of the oxygen that we breathe on land.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Without sharks to prey on them, plankton-feeders could consume all the planktons that we depend on for our oxygen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Oceans both regulate the climate and are a source of food for people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Life on land depends on life in the ocean.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Rob has not recovered from his leg infection.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. All social changes come from interventions by governments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Rob goes back to Costa Rica by plane.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. The Costa Ricans rally together against shark finning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Rob free dives with full scuba gear.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Sharks have been shaping this world for 400 million years.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



YouTube Sharkwater Part 9 – Living in Harmony

Pair and group warm-up discussion:

As a species, do you think humans will survive the next 100 years?

Tick the boxes under “T” for True and “F” for False.

	T	F
1. In the interests of sustainability, we must live in better harmony with nature	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Humans have taken the shark’s historic place as the oceans’ top predator	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. If we lose sharks, we’ll may affect the world’s oxygen too.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. While watching the film, 15 sharks have been killed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. As of 2009, 16 countries have banned shark finning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Long Line fishing is legal in the Galapagos.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Costa Ricans want to stop shark finning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

