

Do whales have stomach-ache?

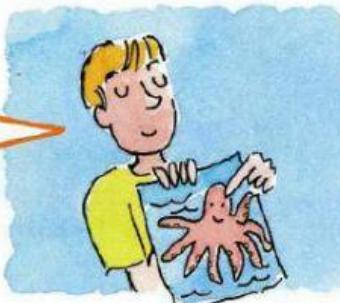
My younger brother is called Fred. Fred's very interested in animals. He talks and asks questions about animals *all* the time. Fred's really interested in parrots, pandas, polar bears and penguins and lions and leopards and rabbits. But Fred's favourite animals live in the sea. He has posters of jellyfish, whales, dolphins, sharks and octopuses on all the walls of his bedroom.

Look at my picture, Mum. This is an octopus. Why do octopuses have eight arms?



Or are they legs?
Why are there little cups on their arms?

Fred doesn't stop talking when I'm doing my homework or when Mum's trying to read quietly.



'Ssssssssshhhh, Fred!'
we have to say sometimes.

Last Saturday, Fred wanted to go to the library in town to get a book called *The Most Dangerous Animals in the World*. He wanted to get a DVD called *Leopard's Spots*, too.

But Mum said, 'No, Fred. You don't look well. I want Aunt Jane to come and see you. You've got lots of little red spots on your face.'

Aunt Jane is a doctor. She knows all about red spots!

Fred looked in the mirror. 'But I'm not ill and my spots aren't scary and they don't hurt,' he said.



Do you know, Mum, leopards have spots, and there's a kind of dog called a Dalmatian that has hundreds of spots too?

'Yes, I know!' Mum said.

When Aunt Jane saw Fred, she asked 'Have you got any spots on your body? On your back, your shoulders or arms?'

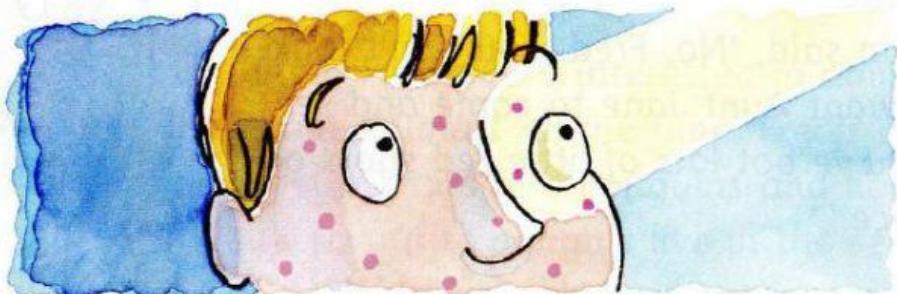


'No,' Fred said. 'Octopuses have got eight arms. Did you know that, Aunt Jane? They've got three hearts too!'

'Have they?' Aunt Jane said. 'Can I look in your ears now?'

‘And do you know, Aunt Jane? A blue whale is the biggest animal in the world!’ Fred said.

‘Yes, Fred,’ Aunt Jane answered. ‘But can I look in your eyes now? That’s right. Look up! Good ... and down!’



‘And dolphins are the cleverest animals in the sea,’ Fred said.



‘Mmm,’ Aunt Jane said.

‘Have you got a cold or a cough?’

‘No,’ Fred answered and started talking again. ‘Sharks are the most dangerous kind of fish. When a shark loses a tooth, they can’t go to the dentist. But it’s OK! Another tooth grows! Do you think sharks have toothache sometimes?’

‘Fred, stop talking, please. I want to look in your mouth now! Say AAAAAAHHHHH!’

‘AAAAAAHHHHH!’ Fred said, and then started talking again!

‘And dolphins are good at bouncing balls on their heads. Do you think they have headaches sometimes?’

‘I don’t know, Fred,’ Aunt Jane said.

Then she smiled at him and said, ‘Well, you haven’t got a temperature, but you need some medicine and you mustn’t go shopping today. You can go to the shopping centre to get your book and DVD on Monday. OK?’



Aunt Jane opened a bottle of green medicine and put some on a spoon. Fred didn't like medicine.

He stopped talking because he didn't want to open his mouth.

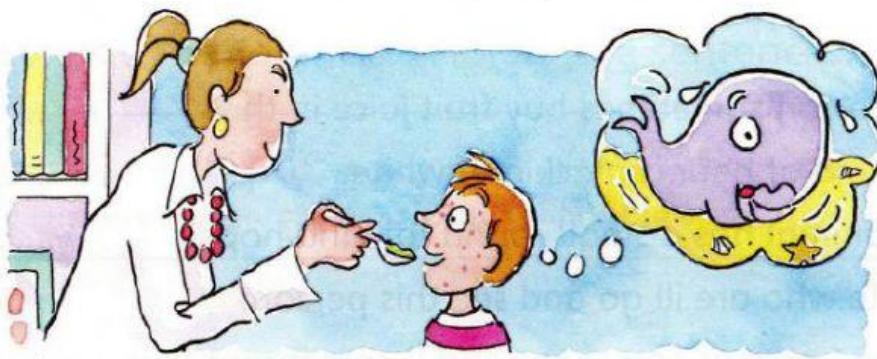


'You must open your mouth now, please, Fred,' Aunt Jane said.

But Fred didn't open his mouth.

Aunt Jane had a clever idea.

'Do you think whales have stomach-ache sometimes, Fred?' she asked.



Fred started to say, 'I—'

When Fred did that, Aunt Jane quickly put the medicine into his open mouth!

'That's horrible!' Fred said, but then he smiled. 'Hey! I like this medicine a lot. It's the nicest medicine in the world. Can I have some more?'

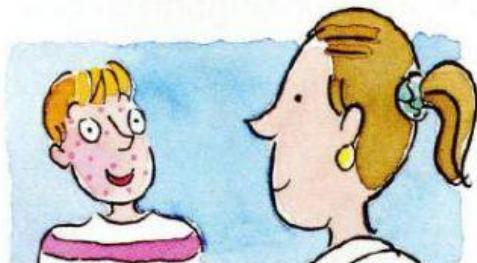
Aunt Jane laughed. 'No!' she said.

'You can have a glass of orange juice,' Mum said.

But then Fred started talking again. 'Whales don't drink orange juice, but they do have stomach-ache, I think. They have very big stomachs. Do you know they eat—'

'Ssssssssssshhh, Fred!' I said.

'Ssssssssssshhh, Fred!' Mum said and
'Ssssssssssshhh, Fred!' Aunt Jane said.



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A

Read and write the correct word.



a panda



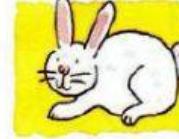
a dentist



~~a bottle~~



a cup



a rabbit



a doctor



a lion

- 1 People can sometimes buy fruit juice in this. *a bottle*
- 2 This kind of bear is black and white.
- 3 This animal has a small round tail and hops.
- 4 People who are ill go and see this person.
- 5 This big animal eats meat and is sometimes scary!
- 6 This person is good at fixing teeth.

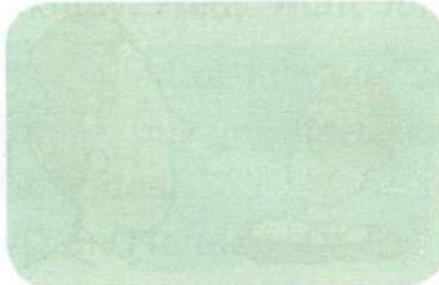
B

Put the sentences (2–9) in the correct box.

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 Fred liked being quiet. | 2 Fred had spots on his face. |
| 3 Fred's aunt came to see him. | 4 Fred's aunt was a dentist. |
| 5 Fred looked in his aunt's ears. | 6 Fred had a really bad cold. |
| 7 Fred's medicine was green. | 8 Fred got his DVD on Saturday. |

9 Fred thinks whales have stomach-ache!

right



wrong



1





C What's different? Circle the wrong words. Write the right words.

Did you know that ...?



Fred talks and **answers** questions about animals all the time. Fred is really interested in parents, pancakes, polar bears and penguins and libraries and leopards and rainbows. But Fred's favourite apartments live in the sky. He has posters of jellyfish, whales, dolls, showers and octopuses on all the walls of his basement.



D Talk with a friend and complete the sentences.

beautiful small **tall** scary dangerous clever **slow**
ugly interesting **strong** loud silly **big** short

1 I think blue whales are **the biggest** animals in the sea.

3 I think bears are animals in the world.

5 I think sharks are kind of fish.

7 I think snails are animals in our park.

2 My friend thinks kangaroos are **the most interesting** animals in the world.

4 My friend thinks pandas are animals in the world.

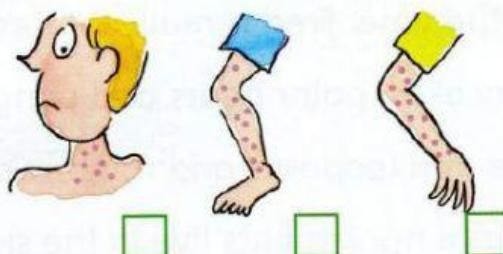
6 My friend thinks penguins are animals at our zoo.



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20  Listen and tick (✓) the box.

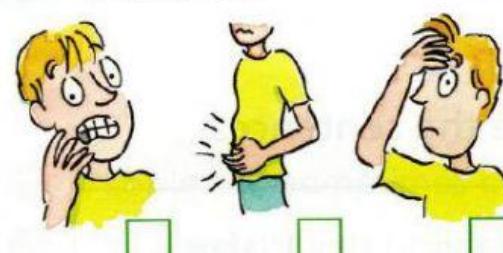
1 Where are Fred's spots?



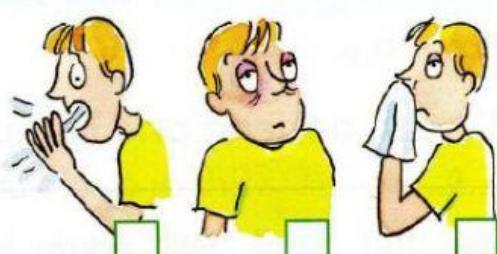
2 What hurts?



3 What's the matter with Fred now?



4 Why isn't Fred at school today?

**F**

Read and draw lines to make sentences.

- 1 Fred went to the library to
- 2 Fred's dad drove to the shop to
- 3 Aunt Jane came to see Fred to
- 4 Fred's mum phoned Aunt Jane to
- 5 Fred's classmate emailed Fred to
- 6 Fred's brother went to the park to

buy some medicine.
look at his spots.
get a new book.
ask her to come.
practise skateboarding.
ask about his English lesson.

G

Let's talk about Fred's brother. Ask and answer with a friend. Complete the notes.

How old is he?

What does he like eating?

What's his first name?

Which sports does he enjoy doing?

First name:

Family name:

Age:

Address:

How he travels to school:

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Likes eating:

Sports:



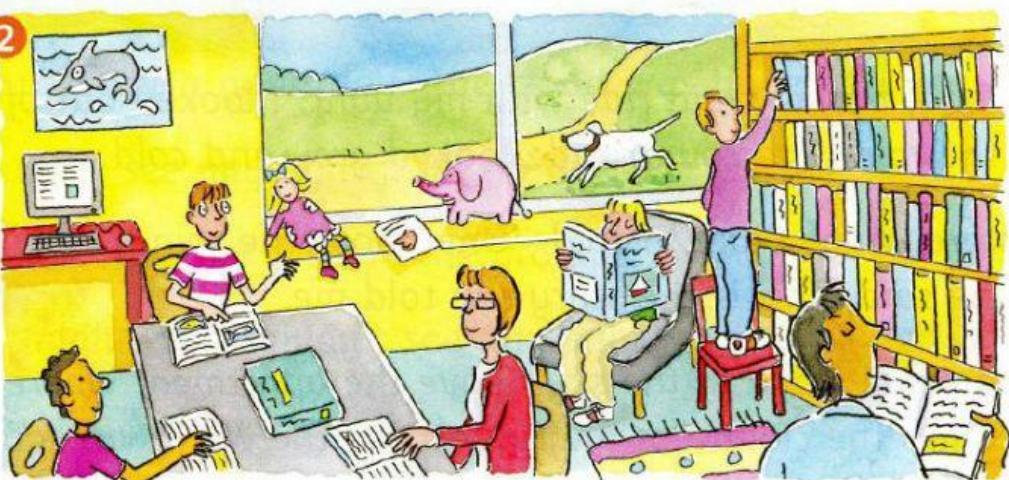
H Find six differences. Point and say.

1



In this picture, there's a whale on the poster. But in this picture, it's a dolphin.

2



I Look at picture 2 in H. Read and write.

Examples

The boy in the jeans is standing on a pink *chair*

Which animal is running on the grass? *a dog*

Complete the sentences.

- 1 There is a computer on the
- 2 The woman at the grey table is wearing

Answer the questions.

- 3 What is the girl in the armchair doing?
- 4 Which animal is in the poster?

Now write two sentences about the picture.

- 5
- 6

