

Form 3: The Wonders of Nature (Unit 3)
Part 3: Information Transfer

Read the text below and answer questions 1 – 8..

Great White Sharks

Throughout the world's oceans, great white sharks can be found, especially in cool waters near the coast. These super swimmers are the biggest predatory fish on our planet. On average, they grow up from 4.6 metres to 6 metres long, which is half the length of a bus.

Great white sharks are grey with a white underbelly, hence how they got their name. They have a streamlined shape and powerful tails that speed them up through the water at over 60km per hour. Their mouth is equipped with a set of 300 sharp, triangular teeth arranged in up to seven rows. Beware!

People may think that these beasts are fearsome man-eaters, but it is believed that they are not as eager to eat humans. There are around 5 to 10 attacks a year. However, researchers believe that they only do that out of curiosity before swimming off, rather than preying on humans to eat them.

When they are young, they feed on small prey, such as fish and rays. As they get older and bigger, they generally feast on sea mammals such as sea lions, seals and small whales. Great white sharks have such a very good sense of smell that they can detect a colony of seals even two miles away. An interesting fact is that if there was only one drop of blood in 100 litres of water, this shark would smell it.

Overall, great white sharks are at the top of the food chain and has the lowest possibility to be killed by other sea creatures. Sadly, however, they are under serious threat due to human activities. Illegal hunting of these beautiful white sharks have made them one of the most vulnerable species today.

(Adapted from National Geographic Kids)



Questions 1-8

Complete the following table.

Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** from the text for each answer.

For each question, write your answer in the space provided on your answer sheet.

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Largest predatory fish on the planet :	1. _____
The reason they are called "Great White Sharks" :	2. They have a _____.
Reasons to be fast :	3. _____ 4. _____
Total number of teeth :	5. _____
Reason to attack humans :	6. _____
Food they eat :	7. During young : _____ 8. During old : _____