

WHALE SONG

Did you know that a kind of whale, called a humpback whale, sings? In the 1960s it was (1) _____ that humpbacks communicate with each other by making beautiful noises. A record was (2) _____ in 1970 called *Songs of the Humpback whale*, which sold millions of copies. People were absolutely amazed to learn that some whales in the deep oceans were so intelligent; in (3) _____ centuries people had thought that whales had simple brains, like fish.

The songs of the whales were so popular that they were (4) _____ in recordings of sounds from our planet which were (5) _____ into space in 1977. The recordings were chosen to show the wide (6) _____ of life on our planet. People hoped that, in the future, they might be found by intelligent creatures far out in space.

