



Dolphins

Dolphins **live** in water. But unlike sharks who also live in water, dolphins are not fish. Dolphins, in fact, **(1)** mammals, like us. They love to play **(2)** members of their group and are friendly, even to humans. They also usually play with other animals living in the water. Dolphins are considered one of the world's **(3)** clever animals because they have their own way of communicating. Dolphins need to live **(4)** they can surface to breathe air, so people have seen dolphin pods near shore. Dolphins give birth to one baby at a time; the baby is usually born tail first unlike most mammals. Baby dolphins live with their mother for a long time **(5)** leaving the group. Some can even stay with their mother for up to eight years!