



Shark

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He circles and stares
with a broken-glass grin,
his body's a dagger,
he has lion's-tongue skin.

He slides through the water
like a rumor, like a sneer.
He's a quick twist of hunger.
He's the color of fear.

GIMME 5

5 similes or metaphors
(colour them)

Reflect: Which simile or metaphor is your favourite? Why?

4 rhymes
(copy them)

Reflect: What is the pattern with the rhymes?

3 verbs

Reflect: What is the effect of the verbs the poet has chosen?

2 things that are sharp

Reflect:

What parts of the shark are described as sharp? What is the effect of this?

1 word that means 'a nasty smile'

Now your turn: Write a simile / metaphor poem about one of these animals:

