

Saved by dolphins

Kylie Morgan is on holiday with her mum and dad on the North Island of New Zealand.

One morning, her dad asks, 'Who wants to go for a swim in the sea?'

'I do!' says Kylie.

'I want to sit on the beach and read my book,' says her mum.



Kylie and her dad are swimming in the sea.

'Look!' shouts Kylie. 'There's a dolphin.'

Soon, there are four big dolphins in the water next to them. They are swimming in circles around Kylie and her dad.

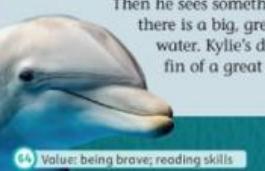
'I think they want to play with us,' says Kylie.

The circle of dolphins gets smaller and smaller. They are now very close to Kylie and her dad. Then, the dolphins start to hit their tails on the top of the water. Up and down, up and down.



'This is fun,' laughs Kylie. But her dad is worried. 'Why are the dolphins doing this?' he thinks. But he doesn't say anything to Kylie.

Then he sees something. Behind the dolphins, there is a big, grey fin swimming through the water. Kylie's dad knows what it is. It's the fin of a great white shark.



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Great white sharks can be very big and they have hundreds of teeth in their huge mouths. They can swim very fast, and they eat other sea animals like fish, seals, turtles and birds.

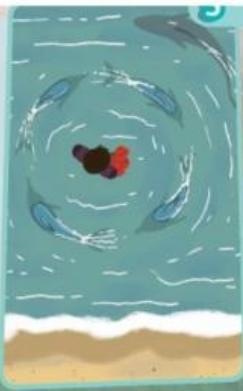
Kylie's dad knows all this. That is why he is scared. He pulls Kylie close to him but he still doesn't say anything.

For ten minutes, Kylie's dad watches the fin swimming around them. Then it swims away. The dolphins stop swimming in circles and Kylie and her dad can swim back to the beach.

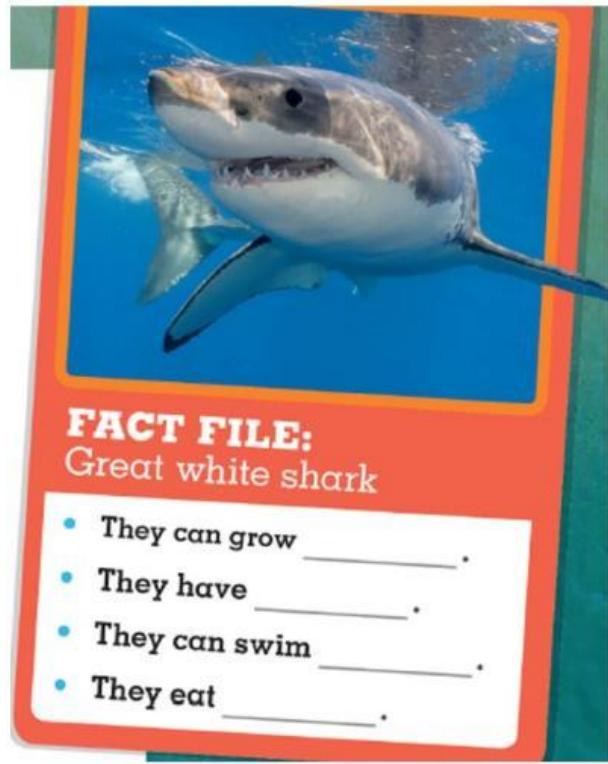


On the beach, Kylie's dad tells Kylie and her mum about the shark.

'Those dolphins really helped us!' he says.



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FACT FILE:
Great white shark

- They can grow _____.
- They have _____.
- They can swim _____.
- They eat _____.

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Listen to Kylie's story again and write.

FACT SHEET



Who are they?

1 Kylie Morgan and her dad

Where are they?

2 _____

What does Kylie see?

3 _____

What dangerous animal does Kylie's dad see?

4 _____

How many teeth does it have?

5 _____

Why do the dolphins swim around Kylie?

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