

Sensational Sharks



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Introduction

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It never ceases to amaze me when we go to a large aquarium—kids always search for the sharks. They look for them among all the tanks and displays, and then simply stand and watch them swim by, totally captivated with these eating machines. *Sensational Sharks* was written to build on that fascination and broaden the learning experience with geography, science, and much more.

Sharks are powerful and rapid-moving creatures that have plenty of teeth and play an important role in God’s creation. From the frills of the frilled shark to the wacky camouflage of the wobbegong shark, these fish come in all shapes and sizes. Who would not be curious to find out more about the cookie cutter shark, or investigate the megamouth shark? Let the curiosity and fascination of your child run wild with this study, and watch his wonder as he discovers that learning can be amazing.

In *Sensational Sharks*, you and your child will learn about many different kinds of sharks. You’ll enjoy video clips of hammerhead sharks swimming overhead, cleaner fish giving a shark a good scrub, and even one that shows a baby shark hatching. All learning should be this interesting and exciting!

With the new Download N Go® unit studies, you are about to begin a new kind of learning experience. Each study is one week in length, having five daily lessons with lapbook components for each day. The name, Download N Go, comes from the concept that these studies are ready to use as soon as you have downloaded them. No preparation or waiting time or other expensive resources are required. A few inexpensive items are needed for the lapbook—a simple file folder, a glue stick, safety scissors, brass brads, and crayons or markers. That’s it—simple, effective, and what a way to learn!

Now that you are beginning *Sensational Sharks* in the Download N Go series, get ready for a wonderful learning adventure into the world of these stealthy creatures. Your child will investigate this animal—what it eats, where it lives, and much more. Each day, your child will explore and investigate, creating and adding more learning components to his Sensational Sharks lapbook—building a wonderful reminder of all that he is learning to be enjoyed for years to come.

There will be science discoveries, such as learning about the anatomy of a shark and

the many different kinds of sharks. Your child will learn about the geography of the oceans and will be amazed at some of the places sharks are found! Did you realize that some kinds of sharks can live for a time in the fresh water of rivers?

As I write this study, I am mesmerized with the video clips. It is easy to see that man has learned so much about the oceans and the animals that live there. The research and study of sharks provide a wide-open door of adventure for our children!

Notes to parents: *Sharks are such a fascinating and unique topic for children, and we have scoured all kinds of resources to show your children these amazing creatures that God created. However, please be aware that some of the links and videos that we used contain evolutionary content. While some families may object to this, we feel that the educational material and images are valuable and that they will help your children learn while also providing you with an opportunity to talk with your children and help them understand your family's beliefs regarding Creation.*

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Daily Objectives

Day 1: What Is a Shark?

1. What do you know about sharks?
2. Investigate the characteristics of sharks.
3. Become familiar with different kinds of sharks.
4. Shark of the Day: Whale Shark

Day 2: Getting to Know Sharks

1. What kind of an animal is a shark?
2. Learn the parts of a shark.
3. Investigate the senses of sharks.
4. Shark of the Day: Bull Shark

Day 3: Where Can You Find Sharks?

1. Investigate the teeth of sharks.
2. Discover where sharks live.
3. Learn how sharks breathe.
4. Shark of the Day: Great White Shark

Day 4: Science Secrets of Sharks

1. How do sharks float?
2. Explore the unique skin of a shark.
3. Learn about the fish that clean the skin of sharks.
4. Shark of the Day: Hammerhead Shark

Day 5: Cool Things about Sharks

1. Learn about some unique sharks.
2. Discover the work of a marine biologist.
3. Which are the most dangerous sharks?
4. Shark of the Day: Basking Shark

Day 1

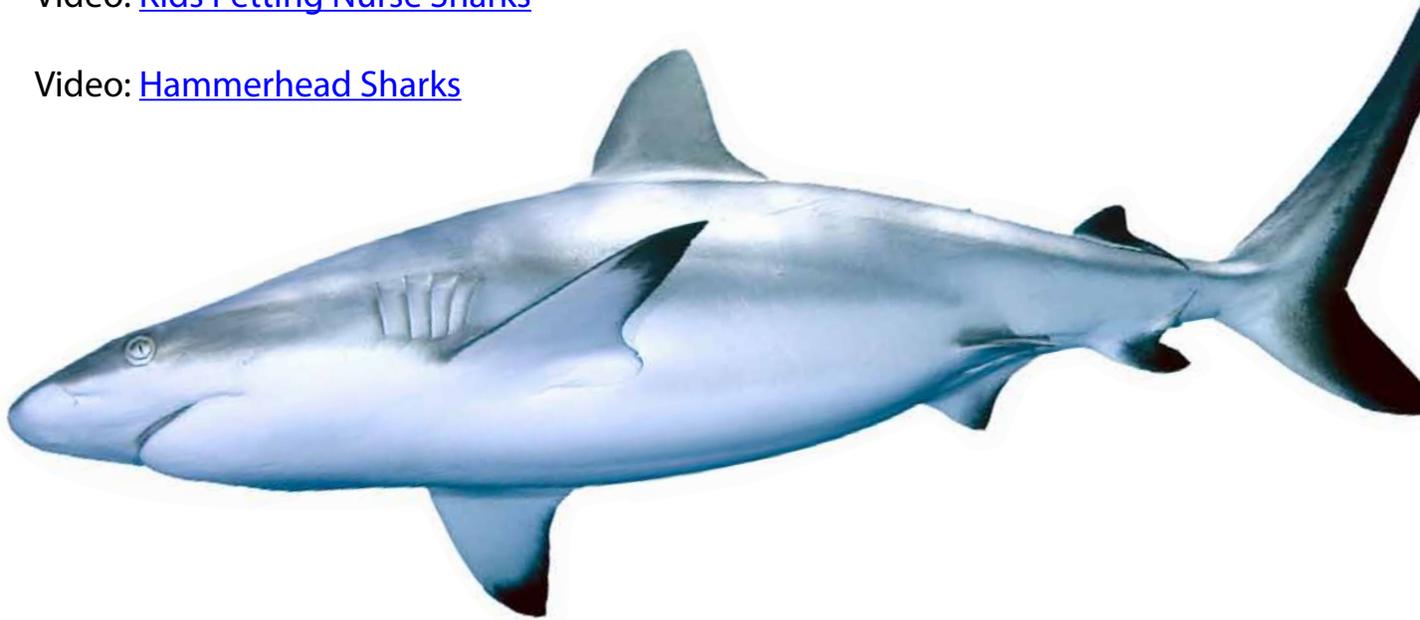
What Is a Shark?

God created each and every living thing, and all of His creations are incredible! Over the next few days, we are going to investigate some of His fascinating creatures—sharks!

To begin our adventure into the world of sharks, let's take a look at a few interesting videos:

Video: [Kids Petting Nurse Sharks](#)

Video: [Hammerhead Sharks](#)



Sharks come in all shapes and sizes. Some have heads that are shaped like hammers, while others have bites that look like cookie cutters! This week you will be exploring these interesting animals.

When God created earth, the Bible tells us that He filled it with all kinds of animals. On which day of Creation did He create sharks? *Circle your answer below.*

[Genesis 1](#)

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

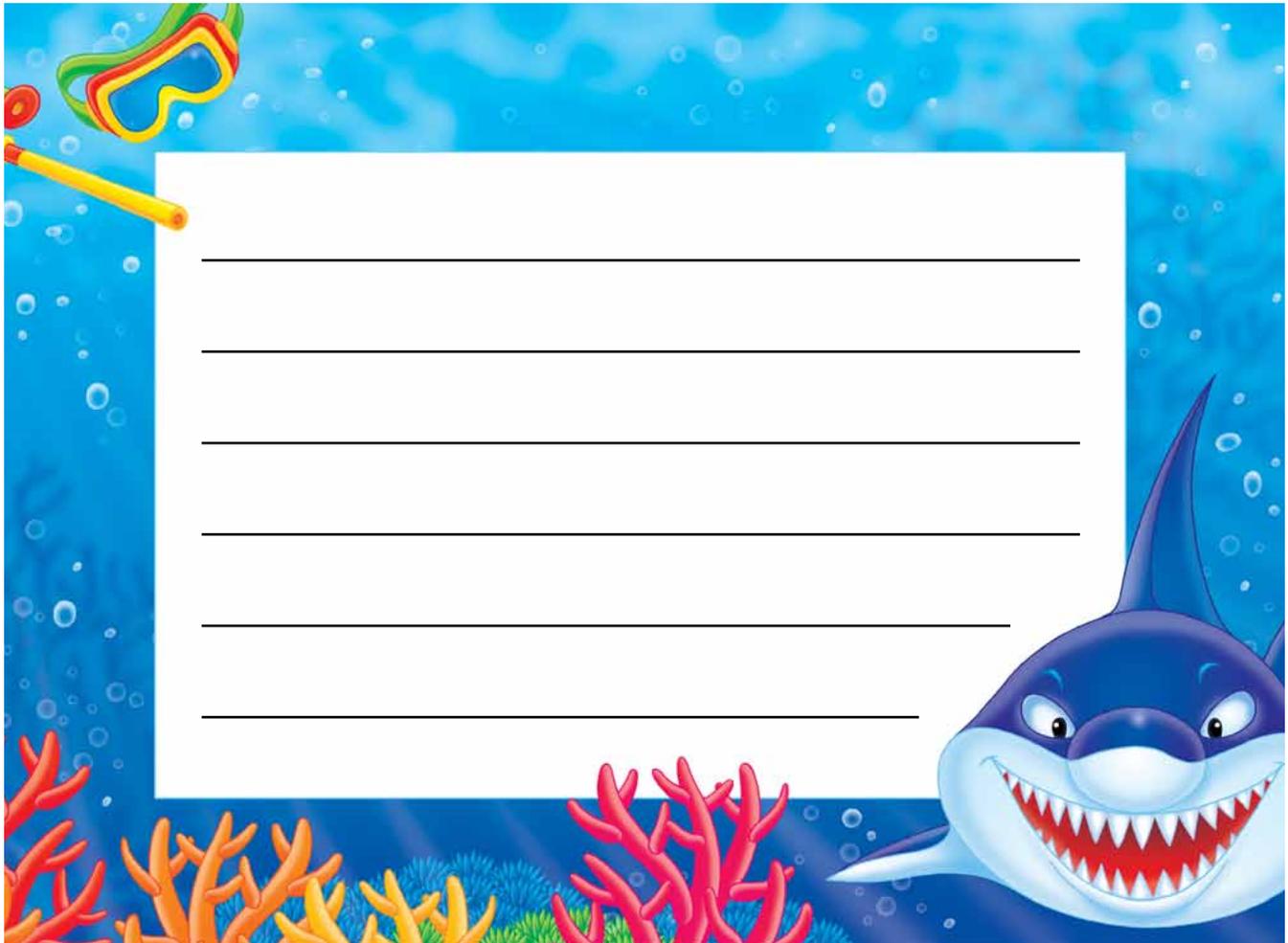
5th

6th

What is a shark? *A parent can write below while the child narrates, or the child can write what he knows.*

[Shark](#)

[Shark](#)



How many kinds of sharks are there? *Write your answer below.*

[Kinds of Sharks](#)

[Different Kinds of Sharks](#)