



Orca's Killer Hunting Technique for Giant Ocean Fish

Description

Orcas are powerful predators that hunt in the ocean. They work together to catch big fish like whale sharks. In the Gulf of California, a group of orcas has a clever strategy for hunting whale sharks. They stun the sharks, flip them over, and go for their liver. The liver is full of nutrients that orcas like to eat.

These orcas are specialists in hunting sharks and rays. They have been seen hunting different kinds of fish for years. Scientists think they are learning from each other to become better hunters. This group of orcas might become a new type of orca, hunting mainly sharks and rays.

Even though it's tough for the whale sharks, it's interesting to study how orcas hunt. Researchers want to learn more about these orcas and their hunting habits. By studying them, we can understand more about the secret lives of these amazing ocean creatures.

Frontiers in Marine Science published the research about the orcas hunting whale sharks.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Predators** /'prɛd.ə.tərz/ (noun): Animals that hunt and kill other animals for food.
2. **Strategy** /'stræt.ə.dʒi/ (noun): A plan of action designed to achieve a specific goal.
3. **Nutrients** /'nju:.tri.ənts/ (noun): Substances that provide nourishment essential for growth and the maintenance of life.
4. **Specialists** /'spɛʃ.əl.ɪsts/ (noun): Individuals who focus on a specific area of study or profession.
5. **Researchers** /rɪ'sɜ:.rtʃərz/ (noun): Individuals who conduct systematic investigations to establish facts or principles.
6. **Habit** /'hæb.ɪt/ (noun): A routine behavior that is repeated regularly and tends to occur subconsciously.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the main prey of orcas in the Gulf of California?



- Option: Whale sharks
- Option: Dolphins
- Option: Seals
- Option: Tuna

2. What do orcas go for in the whale sharks they hunt?

- Option: Brains
- Option: Fins
- Option: Liver
- Option: Muscles

3. What type of hunting strategy do the orcas use on whale sharks?

- Option: Biting
- Option: Stunning and flipping
- Option: Chasing
- Option: Camouflaging

4. What do scientists believe the orcas are doing to become better hunters?

- Option: Reading books
- Option: Learning from each other
- Option: Taking classes
- Option: Practicing alone

5. What ocean did the research on orcas hunting whale sharks get published in?

- Option: Pacific Ocean
- Option: Atlantic Ocean
- Option: Indian Ocean
- Option: Arctic Ocean

6. What kind of fish are orcas specialists in hunting?

- Option: Tuna
- Option: Sharks and rays
- Option: Salmon
- Option: Swordfish

True-False

7. Orcas hunt whale sharks alone.



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8. The liver of whale sharks has essential nutrients that orcas like.
 9. The group of orcas in the Gulf of California might become a new type of orca specialized in hunting mainly sharks and rays.
 10. Researchers are not interested in studying how orcas hunt.
 11. Some scientists believe that orcas are learning from each other to improve their hunting skills.
 12. The hunting habits of orcas can reveal more about the secret lives of ocean creatures.

Gap-Fill

13. The group of orcas in the Gulf of California has been seen hunting different kinds of fish for years. Scientists think they are learning from each other to become better hunters. This group of orcas might become a new type of orca, hunting mainly _____ and rays.
14. Researchers want to learn more about these orcas and their hunting habits to understand more about the secret lives of these amazing ocean creatures. By studying them, we can understand more about the _____ of these amazing ocean creatures.
15. The liver of the whale sharks is full of _____ that orcas like to eat.
16. In the Gulf of California, orcas have a clever strategy for hunting whale sharks. They stun the sharks, flip them over, and go for their _____.
17. Even though it's tough for the whale sharks, it's _____ to study how orcas hunt.
18. The research about the orcas hunting whale sharks was published in _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Whale sharks 2. Liver 3. Stunning and flipping 4. Learning from each other 5. Frontiers in Marine Science 6. Sharks and rays

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. sharks



14. liver 15. nutrients 17. interesting 18. Frontiers in Marine Science

Answer

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