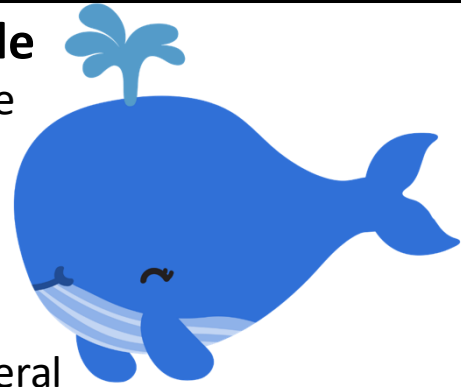


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The Amazing Blue Whale

The blue whale is the largest animal on Earth. Some can grow to around 30 metres long and weigh more than 150 tonnes. Seeing such a huge animal in the ocean would be an incredible sight.



Despite their enormous size, blue whales eat tiny animals called krill. A single blue whale can eat several tonnes of krill in one day. It is amazing that one of the world's largest animals survives by eating such tiny creatures.

Blue whales live in oceans around the world. They often travel long distances between their feeding and breeding areas. They must also come to the surface to breathe air through blowholes on top of their heads. Blue whales can make extremely loud sounds that travel long distances underwater. These sounds may help them communicate with other whales. Many people believe blue whales are among the most impressive animals in the ocean. With their enormous bodies and powerful voices, it is easy to understand why these ocean giants capture so much attention.



1. What is one fact about the size of a blue whale?

2. Is this statement a fact or an opinion?

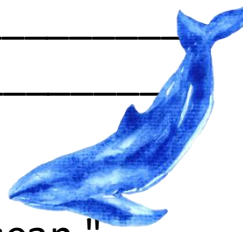
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3. What do blue whales eat? _____

4. Find one opinion from the passage.

5. Is this statement a fact or an opinion?

"Blue whales are among the most impressive animals in the ocean." _____



Answers

1. Blue whales can grow to around 30 metres long and weigh more than 150 tonnes.
2. Opinion.
3. Tiny animals called krill.
4. “It is amazing that one of the world's largest animals survives by eating such tiny creatures.”
5. Opinion.