

STUDENT SURVEY

Shark Investigation Unit

1. Sharks prey on _____.
 - A) humans
 - B) marine mammals, fish, other sharks, and plankton
 - D) only fish
2. Some shark species are threatened because _____.
 - A) they are caught as bycatch and hunted for their fins
 - B) they have too many natural predators
 - C) they eat poisonous jellyfish
3. Sharks play an important role in helping to keep the oceans healthy by _____.
 - A) swimming quickly, which circulates ocean currents
 - B) keeping smaller fish close to the coast, which is good for fishing
 - C) eating sick and injured animals, which maintains balance in the ecosystem
4. To help protect sharks, people should _____.
 - A) stay away from the ocean because sharks are dangerous
 - B) only go to the beach on hot, sunny days
 - C) think carefully about their seafood choices
5. "Overfishing" is when _____.
 - A) fishermen cast their fishing lines above their heads
 - B) a species of fish is removed at a rate that is not sustainable
 - C) a fishing boat passes over a school of fish

6. How often do you think about the environment or animals?

- A) Never
- B) Less than once a month
- C) A few times a month
- D) About once a week
- E) More than once a week

7. How often do you pick up litter that is not your own?

- A) Never
- B) Less than once a month
- C) A few times a month
- D) About once a week
- E) More than once a week

8. I feel it is important to help the wildlife living in our oceans and natural areas.

- A) Not at all
- B) Not really
- C) Kind of
- D) Pretty much
- E) Definitely

9. I feel it is important to protect wetlands and coastal habitats.

- A) Not at all
- B) Not really
- C) Kind of
- D) Pretty much
- E) Definitely

10. I feel that I can help solve environmental problems.

- A) Not at all
- B) Not really
- C) Kind of
- D) Pretty much
- E) Definitely

11. I feel that zoos and aquariums are important because they teach people about animals.

- A) Not at all
- B) Not really
- C) Kind of
- D) Pretty much
- E) Definitely

12. How likely are you to consider a career in environmental conservation or marine science?

- A) Definitely would not
- B) Probably would not
- C) Not sure
- D) Probably would
- E) Definitely would

13. How likely are you to look for sustainable seafood at a grocery store or restaurant?

- A) Definitely would not
- B) Probably would not
- C) Not sure
- D) Probably would
- E) Definitely would

14. How much do you know about marine ecology?

- A) Nothing
- B) Very little
- C) Some
- D) Quite a bit
- E) I'm an expert

15. Have you participated in an Ocean Connectors program before?

- A) No
- B) Yes
- C) Not sure