



Name: _____

Shark: _____

Shark Research

Directions: Use your packet and any books from the research cart to answer the following questions about your shark:

Species Common Name: _____

Species Scientific Name: _____

Research:

1. Appearance:

a. Size: Length: _____ Weight: _____

b. Number of fins:

c. Description of basic coloring and markings:

d. Description of rostrum (beak or snout of a vertebrate):

e. Description of teeth:

f. Other:

2. Location:

a. Where is your shark found?

b. Circle one: Warm water Cold Water Both

c. Which hemisphere? _____

d. Which oceans? _____

e. Near what states or countries? _____

f. Water Temperature: _____

g. Other facts: _____

3. Diet and Hunting:

a. What does your shark eat?

b. How does it hunt its prey?

4. Life Cycle/Reproduction:

a. Life span in years: _____

b. How many pups does your shark have in a litter?

c. How long is its gestation period?

d. (Circle one): Gives birth to Live young or Eggs

5. Aggression and Protection:

a. Is your shark aggressive toward humans?

b. Is your shark (circle one): Common or Rare/Endangered

c. Is this species hunted by man? Why? _____

d. Other facts:

6. Unique Facts: (List one more unique fact about your shark)

When you are done:

- **Use your notes to write a paragraph about each of the following areas: Habitat, Appearance/Body, Diet/Hunting, Life Cycle/ Reproduction, Human Interaction, Unusual Facts.**
- **Neatly print your final information onto a final copy research grid. Go over all lettering with a fine tip marker. You will take a photo of this and upload it to your Weebly Website.**
- **Color and take a picture of your location map and upload it to your website.**

Extra time?

- **Make a large (3-4 feet) pencil drawing of your shark. Outline it in Sharpie marker, then use chalk to accurately shade in your shark.**
- **Paste the completed information grid onto your chalk drawing sheet.**
- **Color and paste a location map onto your chalk drawing sheet.**
- **Add an author's card to your project.**