

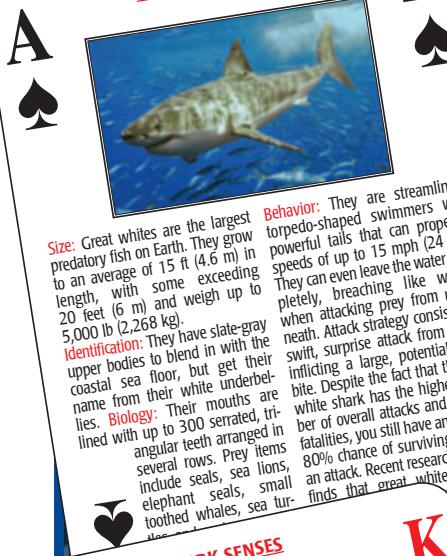
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# DISCOVER SHARK SMART

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### GREAT WHITE SHARK



### SHARK SENSES

each nostril. This is similar to the method mammals use to determine direction of sound. Some sharks have also been seen at the surface of the water with their nose up in the air. It is believed that they are very curious and they use that great sense of smell to detect airborne scents too.

**Taste:** Taste buds of a shark aren't found on their tongue. Instead they are all over the inside of their mouths. **Hearing:** Sharks can also hear extremely well. Some of the species have the ability to hear prey for miles from where they happen to be. They have openings on the sides of their heads that lead to the inner ear through a thin channel. They can

One of the reasons that sharks are such successful predators is that they have such super senses.

**Smell:** Sharks have an astounding sense of smell, so powerful that they can detect a single drop of blood in an Olympic-sized pool. In fact, 2/3 of a shark's brain is dedicated to this keen

### SHARK ATTACK BEHAVIOR SNEAK ATTACK



aggressive bites are carried out without any tearing of flesh, with the sole goal to kill the intruder. These types of attacks usually involve divers or swimmers in deeper waters, but can occur in the shallows in some areas of the world. Injuries incurred during this type of territorial attack are usually quite severe, frequently resulting in fatalities. This kind of unprovoked attack is rarely a case of mistaken identity.



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### WHAT KINDS OF SHARKS ATTACK PEOPLE? TOP 10 MOST DANGEROUS SHARKS

Of some 390 described species of sharks, only 27 (7%) have been implicated or are suspected of attacking humans. Virtually all shark attack experts agree on the four most dangerous species, although not all agree on the order from most to least. Most would rank the ten most dangerous as follows:

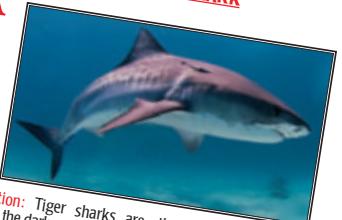
1. Great White Shark
2. Tiger Shark
3. Bull Shark
4. Oceanic Whitetip Shark
5. Blue Shark
6. Shortfin Mako Shark
7. Narrowooth Shark
8. Blacktip Shark
9. Sand Tiger Shark
10. Lemon Shark

This list is scaled by likelihood of inflicting serious injury per attack. However, on a world-wide basis, the bull shark may be statistically the most dangerous species. Main factors include: Its shallow coastal and tropical river habitat, aggressive nature and abundance, brings this shark in contact with more people

more often than any other large, saw-toothed shark. Around tropical oceanic islands, the aggressive tiger shark may be abundant and thus far be more dangerous. In the tropical open ocean, the opportunistic oceanic whitetip shark is the predominant species and may be the most dangerous



### TIGER SHARK



### SHARK MYTHS

- Most sharks are harmful to people.
- Shark attacks are common.
- Sharks intentionally seek out human prey.
- Sharks must roll over on their sides to bite.
- Sharks eat continuously.
- Sharks attacks are on the rise.
- Sharks are dumb robotic killers.
- The great white shark is an abundant species found off most beaches.
- Shark fins are flavorful, nutritious, and offer medicinal properties.
- Sharks have peanut-sized brains and are incapable of learning.
- Most sharks cruise at high speed when they swim.
- Sharks are not found in freshwater.

### SHARK ATTACK BEHAVIOR HIT AND RUN



This is the most common type of attack. This can also be classified as a predatory attack, in which the shark will usually give the swimmer or surfer a single bite before retreating. Usually the shark will not return, having realized that the human is bigger than, or different to its normal prey. Mistaken identity may often be a factor, when sharks encounter humans in black wetsuits, often riding surfboards that create prey-like silhouettes, such as seals and turtles.

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