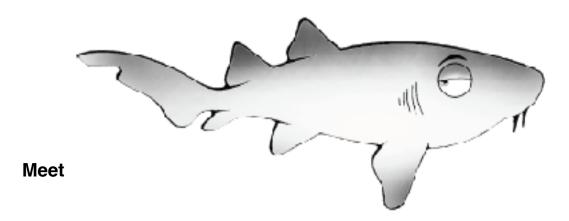


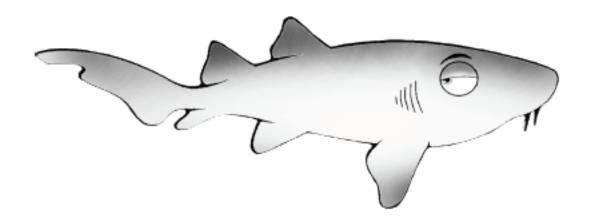
MEET NORMAN THE NURSE SHARK Teaching Packet

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Norman the Nurse Shark Fin- Tastic VocabULARY Words

- 1. **Caudal Fin:** This is the tail fin.
- 2. **Conservation:** The protection of plants, animals and their habitats.
- 3. **Dorsal Fin:** The fin located on the back (top) of sharks, other fish and marine animals.
- 4. Gills: An organ used for breathing by animals in the water.
- 5. <u>Mangroves:</u> Mangroves are trees or bushes that can tolerate exposure to salt water. They are found along coastlines and are home to lots of organisms above and below the water.
- 6. **Nasal Barbel:** These are sensory projections near the nostrils and mouth of some sharks (i.e., the nurse shark) used to taste and feel.
- 7. **Nocturnal:** An organism that is active at night and sleeps during the day.
- 8. **Predator:** An animal that kills and eats other animals.
- 9. **Prey:** Animal caught and eaten by other animals.
- 10. **Shark:** Sharks are fish that have skeletons made of cartilage (cartilaginous fish) and five to seven gill slits. There are over 500 different species of shark.



MEET NORMAN THE NURSE SHARK Word Search

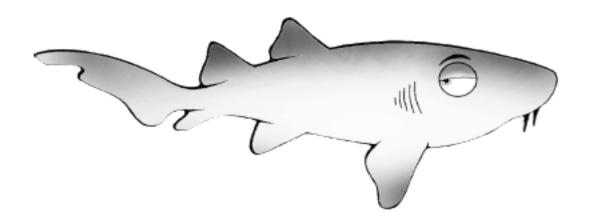
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MEET Norman the Nurse Shark TRUE OR FALSE Quiz

- 1. Nurse sharks are primarily nocturnal. **T or F**
- 2. Baby sharks are called kittens. **T or F**
- 3. Nurse sharks eat turtles and large fish when they are babies. Tor F
- 4. Some nurse sharks can be found in mangrove forests. T or F
- 5. Nurse sharks can suck a conch out of the shell. T or F
- 6. Nurse sharks have vampire fangs. T or F
- 7. Nurse sharks have to swim to stay alive. **T or F**
- 8. Adult nurse sharks are about fifteen feet long. **T or F**
- 9. Nurse sharks are named after medical workers that help doctors. **T or F**
- 10. Baby nurse sharks are born with spots on their bellies. **T or F**

MEET Norman the Nurse Shark

MEET Norman the Nurse Shark TRUE OR FALSE Quiz ANSWER KEY

- 1. Nurse sharks are primarily nocturnal. T
- 2. Baby sharks are called kittens. **F**

Baby sharks are called pups.

3. Nurse sharks eat turtles and large fish when they are babies. F

Baby nurse sharks will eat small fish and crabs.

- 4. Some nurse sharks can be found in mangrove forests. T
- 5. Nurse sharks can suck a conch out of the shell. T
- 6. Nurse sharks have vampire fangs. **F**

They have nasal barbels, which help them find prey in the sand.

7. Nurse sharks have to swim to stay alive. **F**

They can rest on the bottom and pump water over their gills.

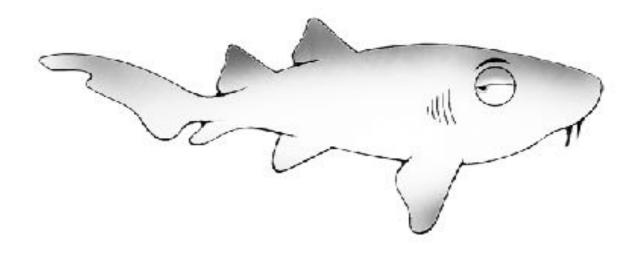
8. Adult nurse sharks are about fifteen feet long. F

Most adult nurse sharks are between 7-9 feet in length.

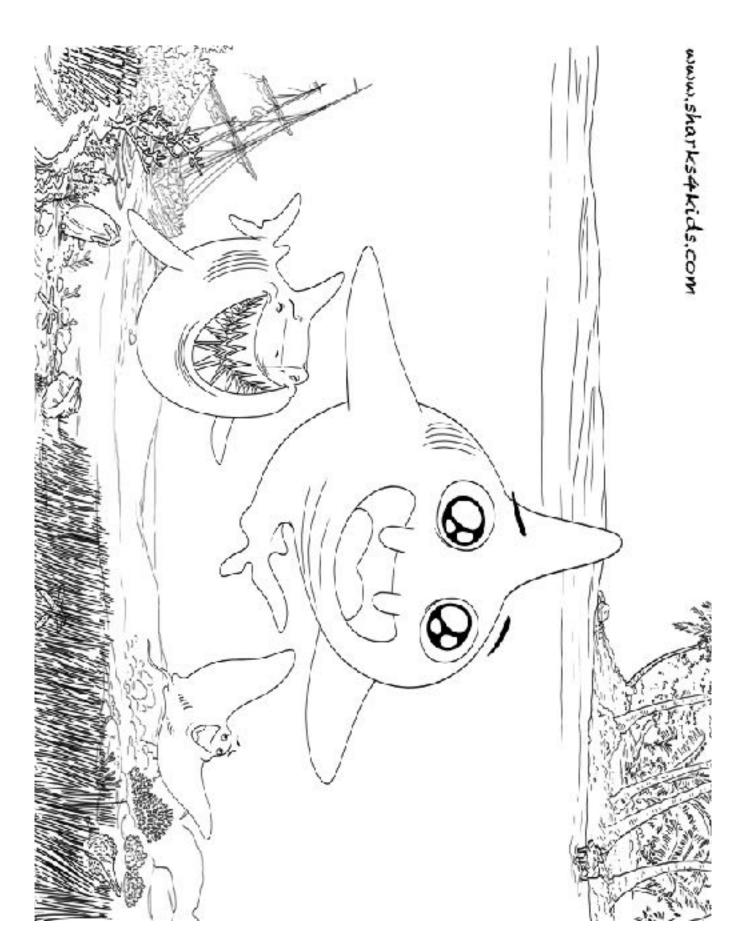
9. Nurse sharks are named after medical workers that help doctors. F

They are named after the sucking noise they make when eating and finding prey in the sand.

10. Baby nurse sharks are born with spots on their bellies. T

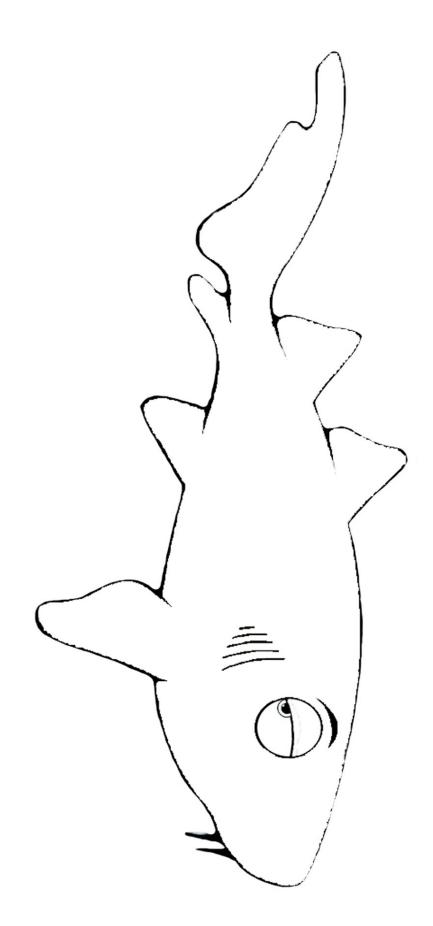


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