

**Word Prompts – Bird in the Forest**

Once upon a time	width	listen	eagle
forest	leaf leaves	brave	tears
fire	branch branches	smoke	field
ancient	creatures	water	green shoots
India	animals	droplets	home
height	distance	flames	grow grew

# Dolphins

## **Are dolphins fish?**

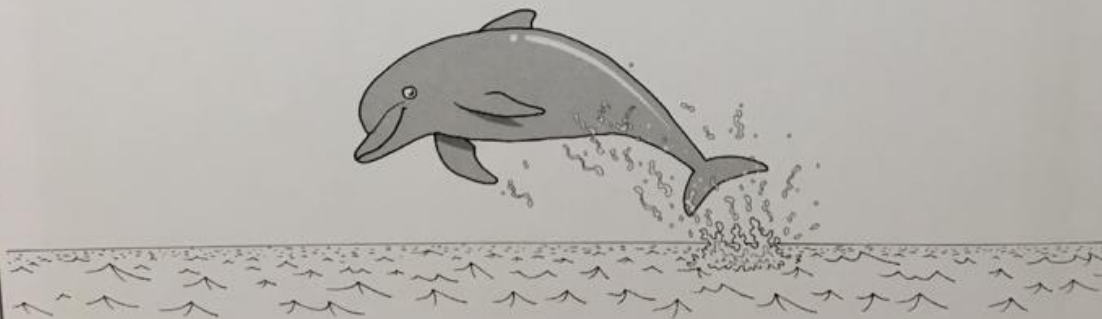
No, dolphins are not fish – they are mammals that spend all of their lives in water. Fish can breathe in water, but dolphins can't. Dolphins need to come up to the surface of the ocean and breathe air into their lungs.

## **How do dolphins eat?**

Dolphins have up to 100 teeth. (Adult humans have 44.) They only have one set of teeth so they don't have any baby teeth. They don't use their teeth to chew their food. They use their teeth to catch their food, like a net. They swallow their food whole, without chewing it.

## **9 Do dolphins drink water?**

10 No. Dolphins live in salty water which is not good to drink. Instead, they get water from the fish they catch.



1. Dolphins are not fish. How are they not like fish? Tick the best answer:

- They can't breathe in water.
- They have to come up for air.
- They spend all of their lives in the water.
- They live in oceans and seas.

2. Who has more teeth? Dolphins or adult humans?

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3. A dolphin's teeth are "like a net" (line 8). Why does the writer tell you this? Tick the best reason:

- So you don't put your hands in their mouths.
- To help you to understand how they use their teeth.
- Because their teeth are nets.
- Because their teeth have holes in them.

4. How do dolphins swallow their food?

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5. ✓ to show the fact is true. ✗ to show it is not.

- Dolphins are fish.
- Dolphins have up to 100 teeth.
- They chew their food with their sharp teeth.
- They get water by eating fish.

6. Would it be sensible to keep a dolphin in a swimming pool? Explain your answer.

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