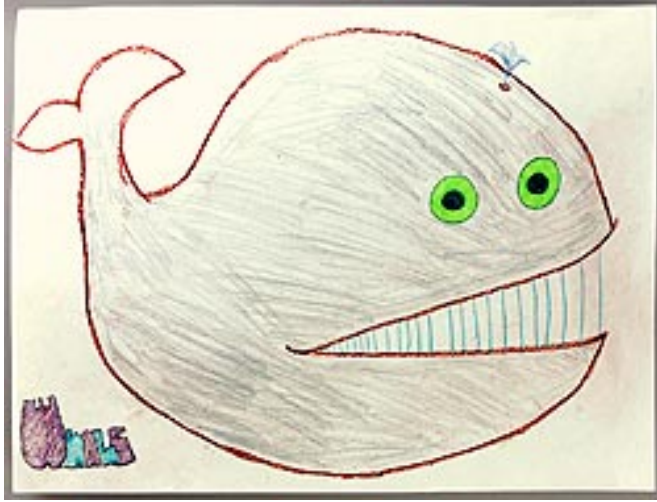


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Whale Wonders



Crayola Supplies

- Crayons (Regular)
- Metallic FX Crayons

Other Supplies

- white paper

Why?

Encourage imaginations and empathy for living things large and small. Whales intrigue humans because both species are warm-blooded and nurse our young.

How?

1. Did you know that whales live in every ocean of the world? Imagine what whales think about as they swim. Such large animals spend a lot of time finding something to eat. To get enough food, some whales suck in seawater and then spit it out, which traps food such as plankton.
2. Scientists think whales communicate by coming out of the water (breaching) and slapping the surface with their tails, as well as by making noises underwater.
3. With Crayola® Crayons and Crayola® Metallic Crayons, draw a swimming whale. Is your whale searching for food? Communicating with other whales? Traveling to cleaner water? What other sea plants and animals live around your whale?

When and Where Suggestions?

- "We looked eyeball to eyeball with a whale on a whale-watching expedition. Our kids drew their giant-sized memories." Daisuke B., dad of 7- and 10-year-olds.
- "Raffi's 'Baby Beluga' has always been my daughter's favorite song. We listened to it as she drew her whale." Lynda S., mom of 5-year-old.

Interesting Information

Whales are the biggest animals on Earth. They can span 100 ft (30 m) and weigh 220 tons (200 tonnes). The largest living land animal, a bull elephant, could stand on a blue whale's tongue.

Safety Guidelines

Safety guidelines recommend this art project is suitable for children age 4 years and older. Close adult supervision is required to ensure children's safety.

Related Books

Amos and Boris by William Steig

Grey Whales by Jim Darling

Lifecycles: The Journey of a Whale by Carolyn Scrace

Whale by Vassili Papstavrous

Whale's Song by Dyan Sheldon

Related Videos

National Geographic The Great Whales.

In the Company of Whales

Real Animals: A Day With Whales

Related Software

Song of the Whales: Sounds of Nature

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