## **ANSWER THE QUESTIONS**

1. Read the passage below and answer the questions.

A shark is a type of fish. Yet, there are some differences between sharks and typical fish. Shark skeletons are made of cartilage instead of bones. Cartilage is the bendy, tough substance in your ears and noses. Most sharks have different types of fins that help them swim.

There are almost 400 different kinds of sharks. Each kind of shark looks different, has a unique diet, and behaves differently. Sharks can range in size from tiny to as big as a bus. The spined pygmy shark grows only 7 inches long, while the whale shark can reach over 40 feet long.

Sharks have lots of teeth that are arranged in many rows, rather than in just one row like people. The teeth from the outside row gradually fall out, and teeth from the next row take their place. Some sharks will lose 30,000 teeth in a lifetime! Each species of shark has different kinds of teeth.

One of the things that is particularly special about sharks is that they have been around a long time. Sharks have lived in the oceans since dinosaurs roamed the Earth about 64 million years ago! Scientists believe there may have even been shark relatives living 400 million years ago.

Another interesting fact about sharks is that they are not as scary as they are portrayed. Only 25 species (out of 368 species) attack humans, and only about 100 people per year are attacked by sharks. The bull shark is the shark most often responsible for attacks because it swims in the same shallow waters preferred by swimmers.





## **Splash**Learn

A.	What is cartilage?
В.	How are sharks different from each other?
C.	Why do you think sharks have different types of teeth?
D.  1. 2. 3.	Based on the passage above, write any three questions.
2. Complete the following sentences with the correct question word.	
A. B. C. D. E.	is your mom? are you feeling now? do you want for dinner? is your birthday? is your math teacher this year?



