

Seals

Name: _____

Seal Facts

- Seals are marine mammals.
- Seals come in many different shapes, sizes and colours, and can be found in oceans and seas all over the world.
- Seals have streamlined bodies and are excellent swimmers.
- Seals mainly eat fish, but they also eat squid, krill and crabs.
- Seals have very good eyesight and sensitive whiskers that can feel the movement of fish swimming nearby.
- A male elephant seal can be 4 m long and weigh 4,000 kg.



Do you know any more interesting facts about seals?

Seal Tricks

In some zoos, seals are trained to do tricks. This is because they are intelligent and can be trained to learn and remember new skills.



One trick seals are sometimes taught to perform is catching and balancing a ball on their nose.

How long can you balance a ball on your nose?

Can you balance a ball on the end of your finger?

Which is harder, on your finger or your nose?

Holding Your Breath

Some seals can hold their breath for over an hour under water.

Research two other animals that hold their breath under water.

For how long does each animal hold its breath?

Writing - Alliteration

Alliteration is when two or more words in a sentence or phrase begin with the same letter or sound.

For example:

Sammy the seal slept **soundly** on the sand.

Write your own sentence or phrase using alliteration for each of the following:

Polly the parrot ...

Eric the eagle ...

Fred the frog ...

Clara the cat ...

Number Crunchers

1. 16 seals were lying on the sand. 6 went back into the water. How many seals were left on the beach?

2. 6 seals were chasing some fish. If each seal caught 5 fish, how many fish were caught altogether?

3. Sam the seal had 14 fish. If Sam ate 7 fish, how many would he have left?

4. Sarah the seal has 16 fish. Sally the seal has 12 fish. How many more fish does Sarah have than Sally?

5. Sonya the seal has 18 fish. How many more does Sonya need to have 20 fish?

