## **Dolphins**

Dolphins are amazing creatures that live in the ocean. They are known for being very friendly and smart. Let's learn more about these fascinating animals!



Dolphins look like fish, but they're not. They belong to a group of animals called mammals, just like humans. Like humans, dolphins are warm-blooded. They need to come up to the surface of the water to breathe air, just like we do. What makes them special, though, is they can breathe through a hole on top of their heads, called a blowhole.

Dolphins are excellent swimmers. They have powerful tails called flukes that help them glide through the water. They can swim really fast, even jumping out of the water and doing flips in the air! It's like they are doing tricks to make us smile.

These friendly ocean animals are also known for their communication skills. They make high-pitched sounds, called clicks and whistles, to talk to each other. Scientists believe that they use these sounds to find food and stay together in a group, called a pod.

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Wh	nat is the passage about?
Wh	nat is the special hole on top of a dolphin's head called?
Wh	y do dolphins need to come up to the surface of the water?
Wh	nat helps a dolphin swim fast in the water?
Wh	nat is a group of dolphins called?

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)	What do dolphins use to communicate with each other?
)	What are some things dolphins enjoy doing in the water?
)	Why are dolphins considered mammals and not fish?