

World Whale and Dolphin Day Quiz: Trivia Questions and Answers

1. Who established this holiday and in what year?

- International Whaling Commission in 1986
- World Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in 1977
- World Wide Fund for Nature in 1951

2. The narwhal has only two upper teeth. Which of these most often develops a tusk, reaching a length of up to 2–3 m and a weight of up to 10 kg?

- from the left
- from the right

3. Which whale is the largest animal on planet Earth today?

- humpback whale
- blue whale
- sperm whale

4. How big can the largest whale on our planet reach?

- it is 25 meters long and can weigh 80 tons
- length up to 53 meters, but can weigh 250 tons
- It is 33 meters long and can weigh 150 tons

5. Which whale is the second largest animal on Earth today?

- fin whale
- narwhal
- seiwal

6. How often does the characteristic fountain of water appear in surfaced sperm whales?

- all the time
- every 5-6 seconds

every 2 or 3 minutes

7. How is the caudal fin positioned in cetaceans?

horizontally

vertically

8. Dolphins are very intelligent animals. Their brain is much larger than the human brain in terms of the number of gyrations in the cerebral cortex. And how many times that?

twice as many

three times as big

five times as big

9. Which traits can be used to reliably identify southern right whales?

skin outgrowths in the area of the head near the lower jaw and above the eyes

dorsal fin shape

eye color

10. Which species of dolphin becomes completely white as an adult?

squirrel

white whale

bottlenose dolphin

11. What do bowhead whales living in the polar regions of the Northern Hemisphere feed on?

plankton exclusively

giant tin legged mollusks

seals and walruses

12. The songs of whales are mesmerizingly beautiful. And what organs do whales use to make these sounds?

with their vocal cords

with a special organ in the back of the whale

with the larynx and pharynx

13. What is the name of a substance that used to be extracted from the digestive tract of sperm whales?

- ambergris
- spermaceti
- theanine

14. Which characteristic gave the beluga whale its Latin genus name, Delphinapterus ("wingless dolphin")?

- they lack pectoral fins
- they lack dorsal fins

15. Which modern animal is the only true predator among cetaceans that preys on warm-blooded animals?

- killer whale
- bottlenose whale
- gray whale

16. In what range are cetaceans capable of picking up sound waves?

- 150 Hz to 120-140 kHz
- 100 Hz to 300 Hz
- 1 kHz to 10 kHz

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- narwhal
- fin whale
- humpback whale

18. Which modern whale holds the record for depth and duration of dives?

- orca
- sperm whale
- fin whale

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- stenella frontalis
- bottlenose dolphin

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