

 Fill in the boxes to show how much you know about Blue Whales.

<p>Blue Whales are the largest animal to have ever lived the earth - larger than any of the great dinosaurs. Draw a blue whale!</p>	<p>Blue Whales can weigh up to 200 tons - heavier than 25 fully-grown Asian elephants combined! Write how much a blue whale can weigh.</p>	<p>Blue Whales can grow up to 30 metres long - the same as 2 bumper to bumper school buses! Take a guess at how many children can fit inside 2 school buses?</p>	<p>Blue Whales have a heart that can weigh 450 kg - the size of a small car! Work out how much your whole family weighs. Is it more or less than 450kg?</p>
<p>Blue Whales eat about 4 tons of tiny, shrimp-like animals called krill a day. That's the equivalent of 64,000 hamburgers! Draw some krill creatures.</p>	<p>Blue Whales dive for 10 to 20 minute intervals and feed at depths of up to 100 metres. Why do whales dive down to the ocean depths?</p>	<p>Blue Whales spend most of their lives underwater and surface for only seconds at a time to fill their bath-sized lungs. Draw a blue whale surfacing for air.</p>	<p>Blue Whales cruise the oceans at about 10 km an hour, but can accelerate to more than 32 km per hour if alarmed, and can travel 160 kilometres in one day. How long will it take a Blue Whale to swim 800 km?</p>
<p>Blue Whales release a spray from their blowhole that shoots about 10 metres high - taller than a two-story building! Name something else that is 10 metres high.</p>	<p>Blue Whales are the loudest creatures on earth - they can produce sounds louder than a jet engine (blue whale-188 decibels; jet engine- 140 decibels). What type of sound does a blue whale make?</p>	<p>Blue Whales can possibly communicate with other whales up to 1,600 km away. Suggest 2 reasons blue whales communicate.</p>	<p>Blue Whales are born with dorsal patterns, or distinct markings on their back like a fingerprint that never changes. On what part of a blue whale can its dorsal patterns be found?</p>