

Orca Pod Worksheet

Name _____

Who are you in the pod?

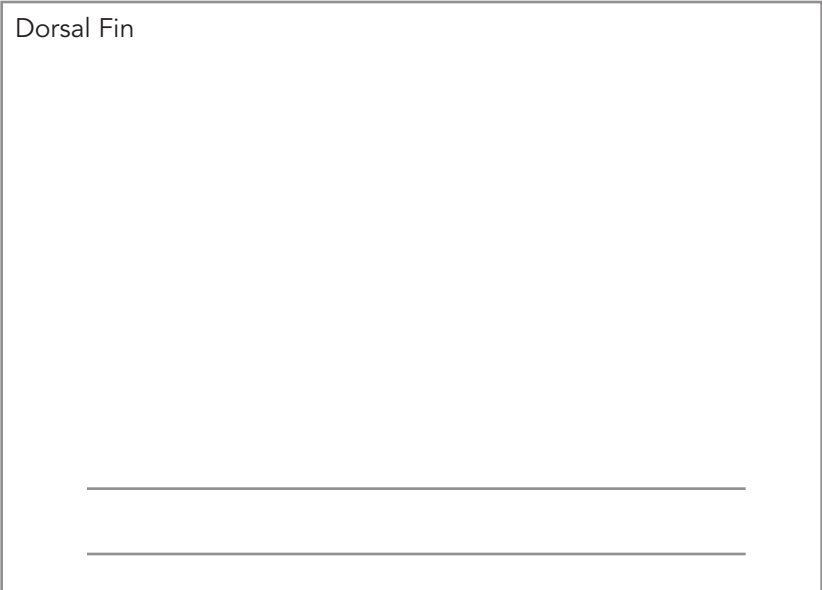
Use what you learned about dorsal fins from the Orca Identification worksheet to decide who you are in your pod.

Your group will need to decide who is ...

- the matriarch (top female)
- other adult and juvenile members of the group

Draw your dorsal fin below and explain your relationship with other members in the pod. Include whether you are an adult or juvenile, male or female. Give yourself a name based on the unique qualities of your fin.

Dorsal Fin



Define your orca society: Orca life is based on community, cooperation and communication.

- Read through the description on the handout of your orca group.
- On a piece of chart paper, create a banner to represent your orca community. Use symbols, pictures, diagrams and words to create an interesting visual display of the special behavioral adaptations practiced by your group. Your banner should explain the following:
 - Diet and foraging behaviors
 - Group size and structure
 - Use of vocalizations
 - Home range or location
 - Other special traditions or practices
- When you are finished, the groups will come together to form the Orca United Nations Assembly. Each group will present their banner and dorsal fin prints to the class.