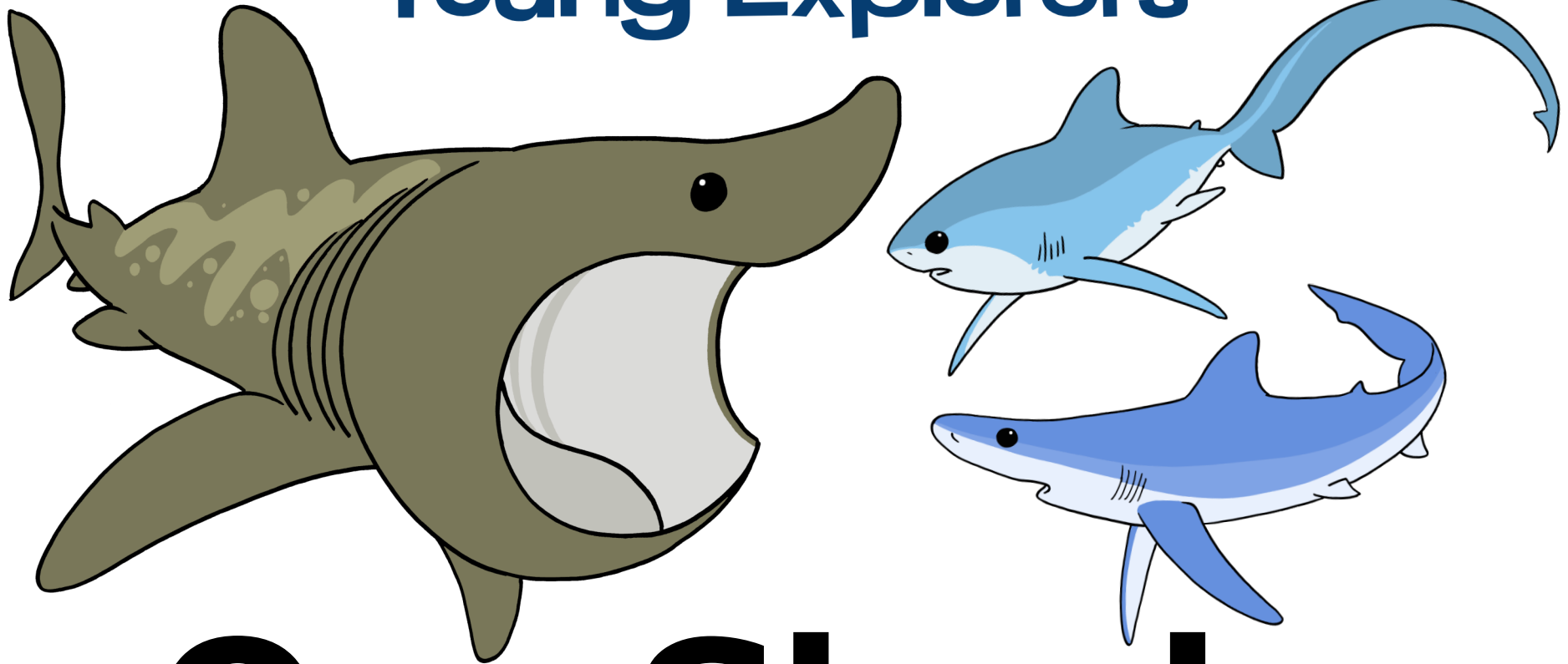
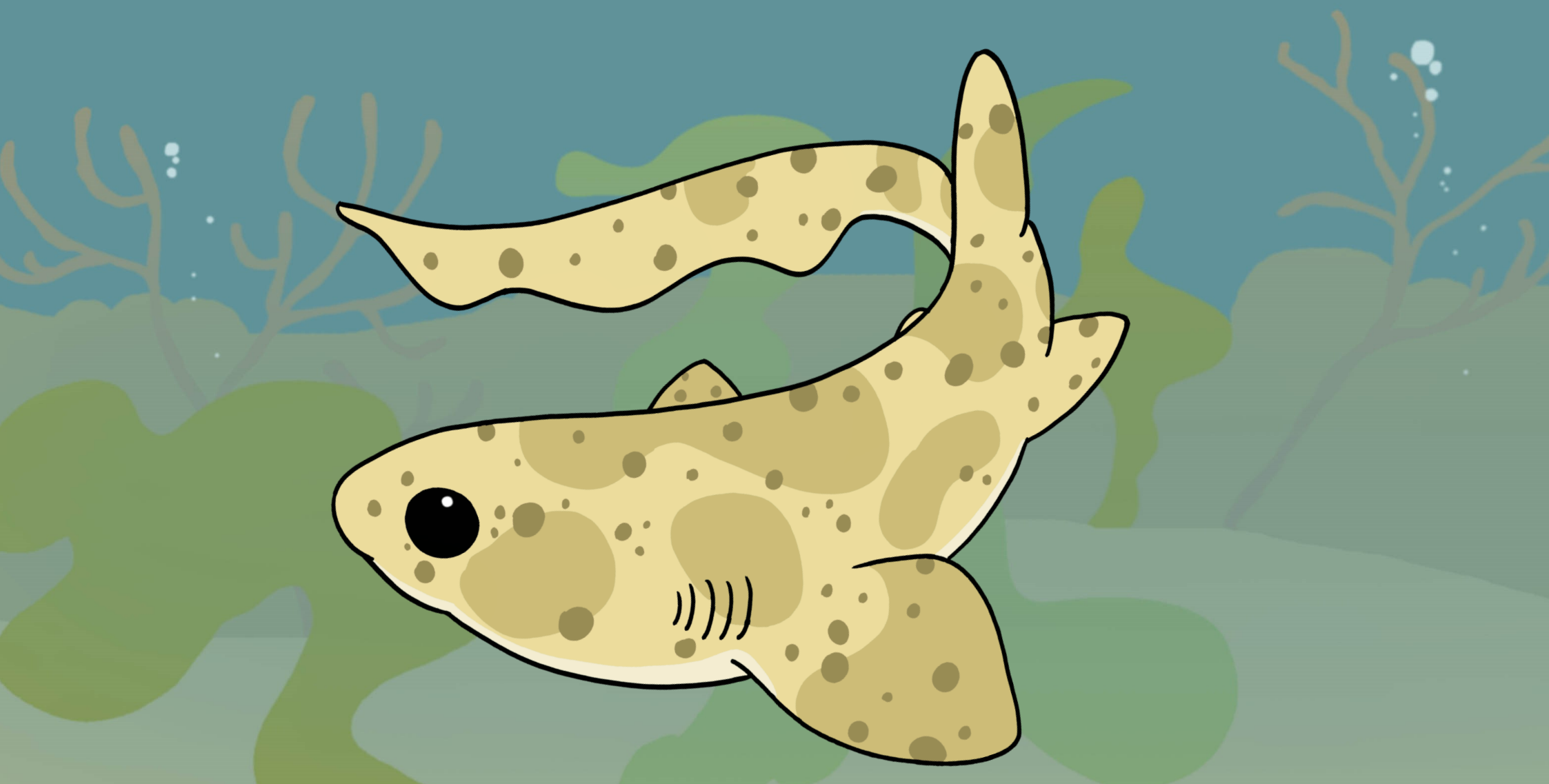


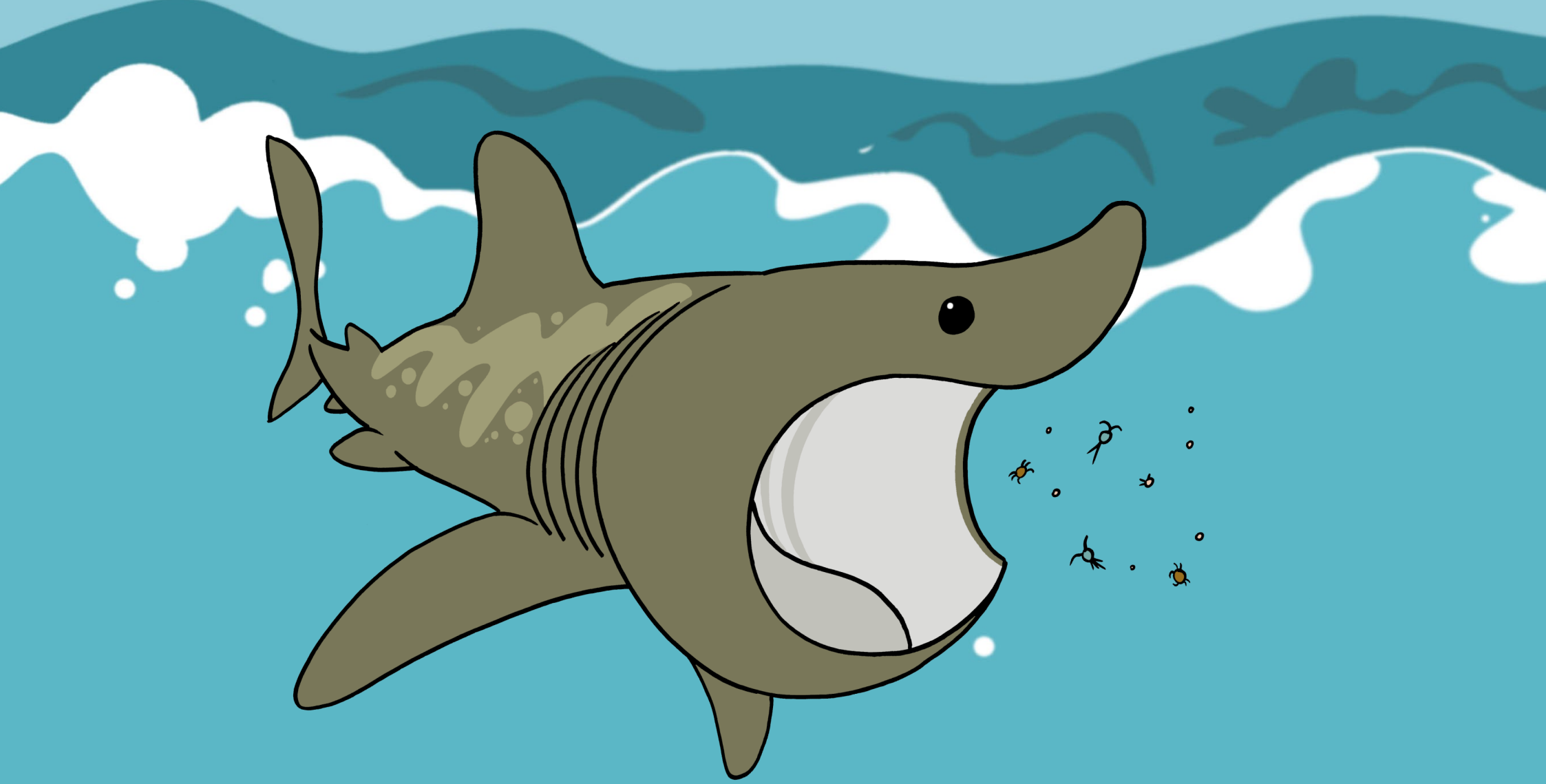
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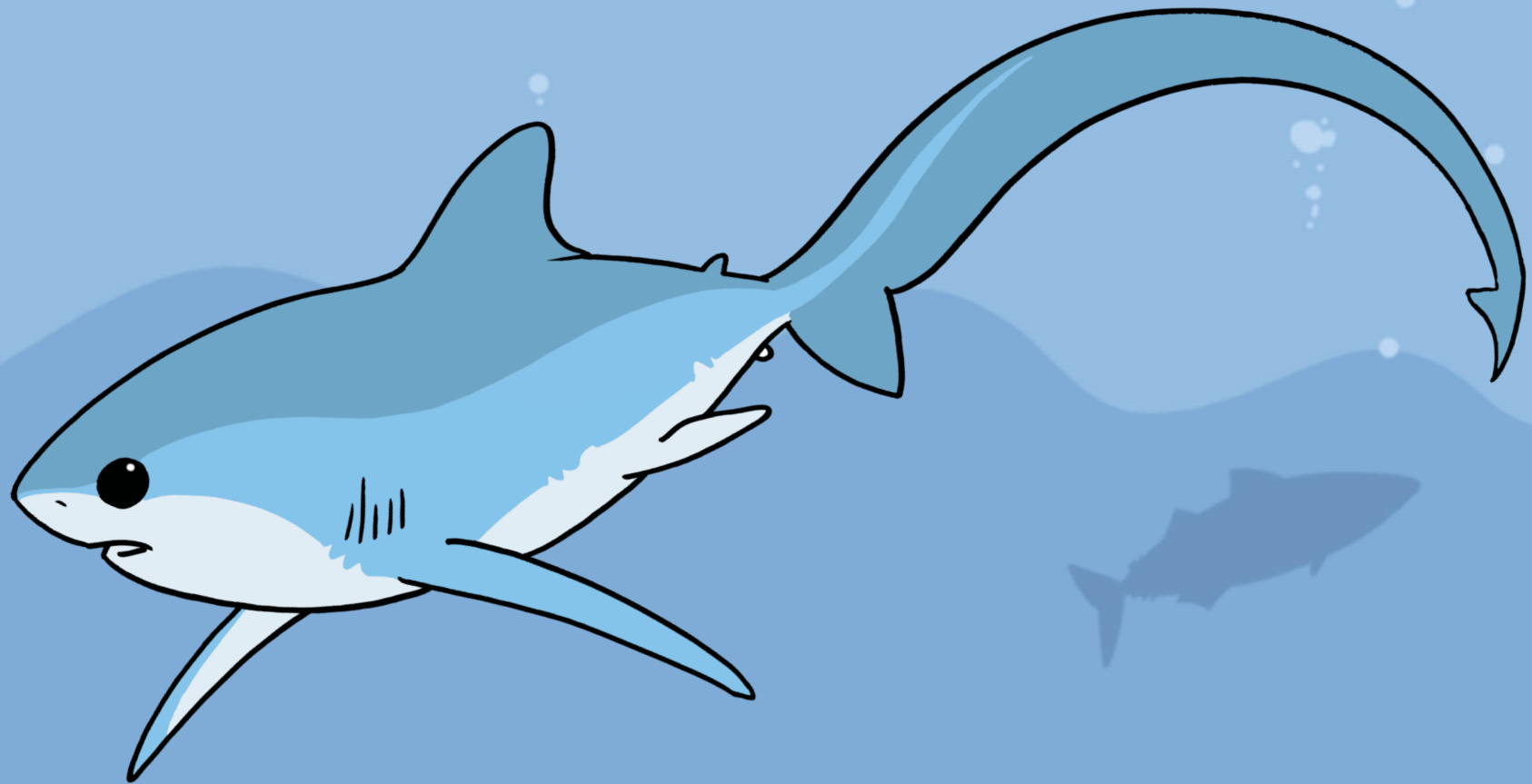
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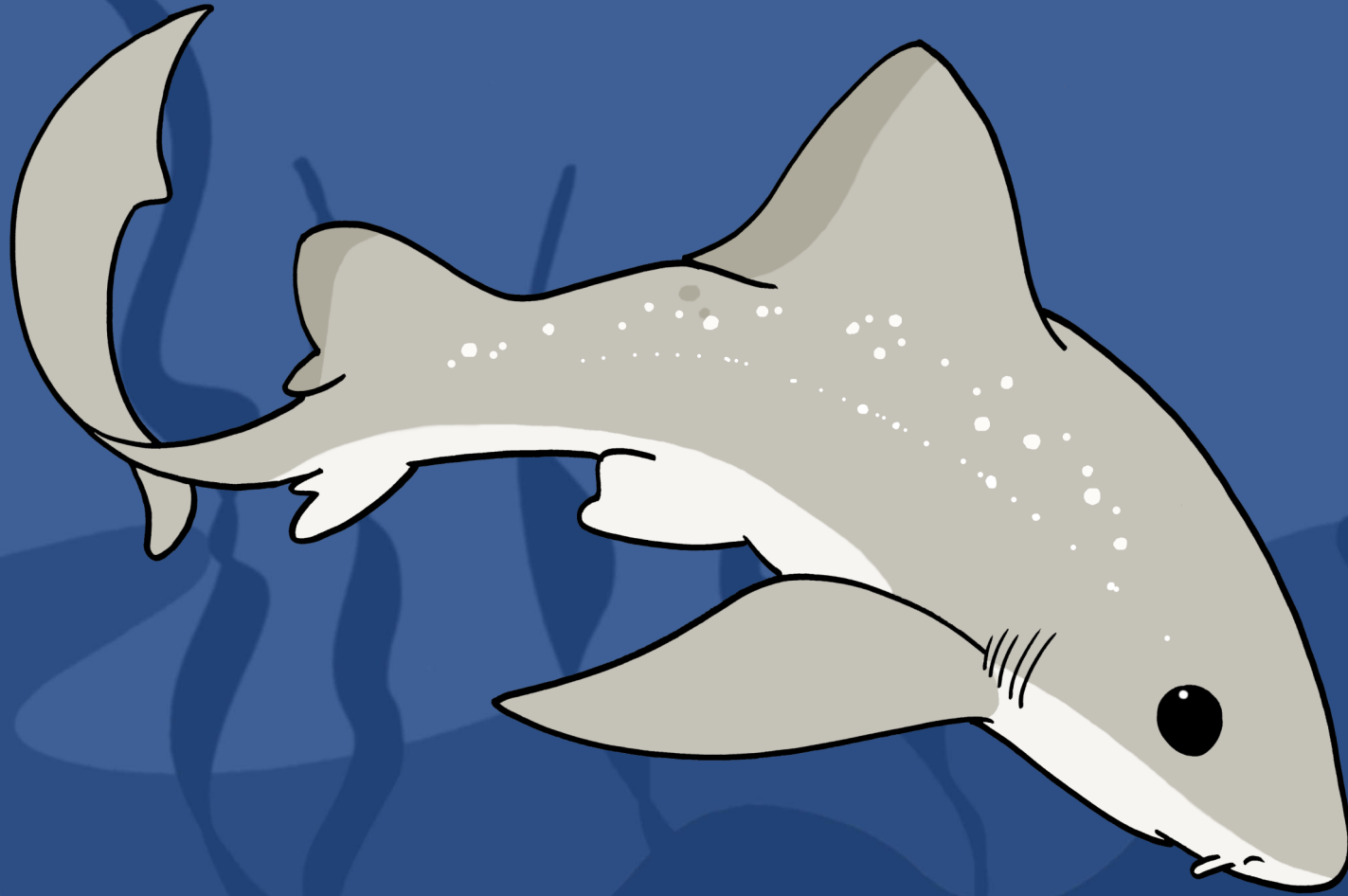
The seas around the UK are home to many species of shark, with many shapes and sizes. This small-spotted catshark is a small species and quite common.



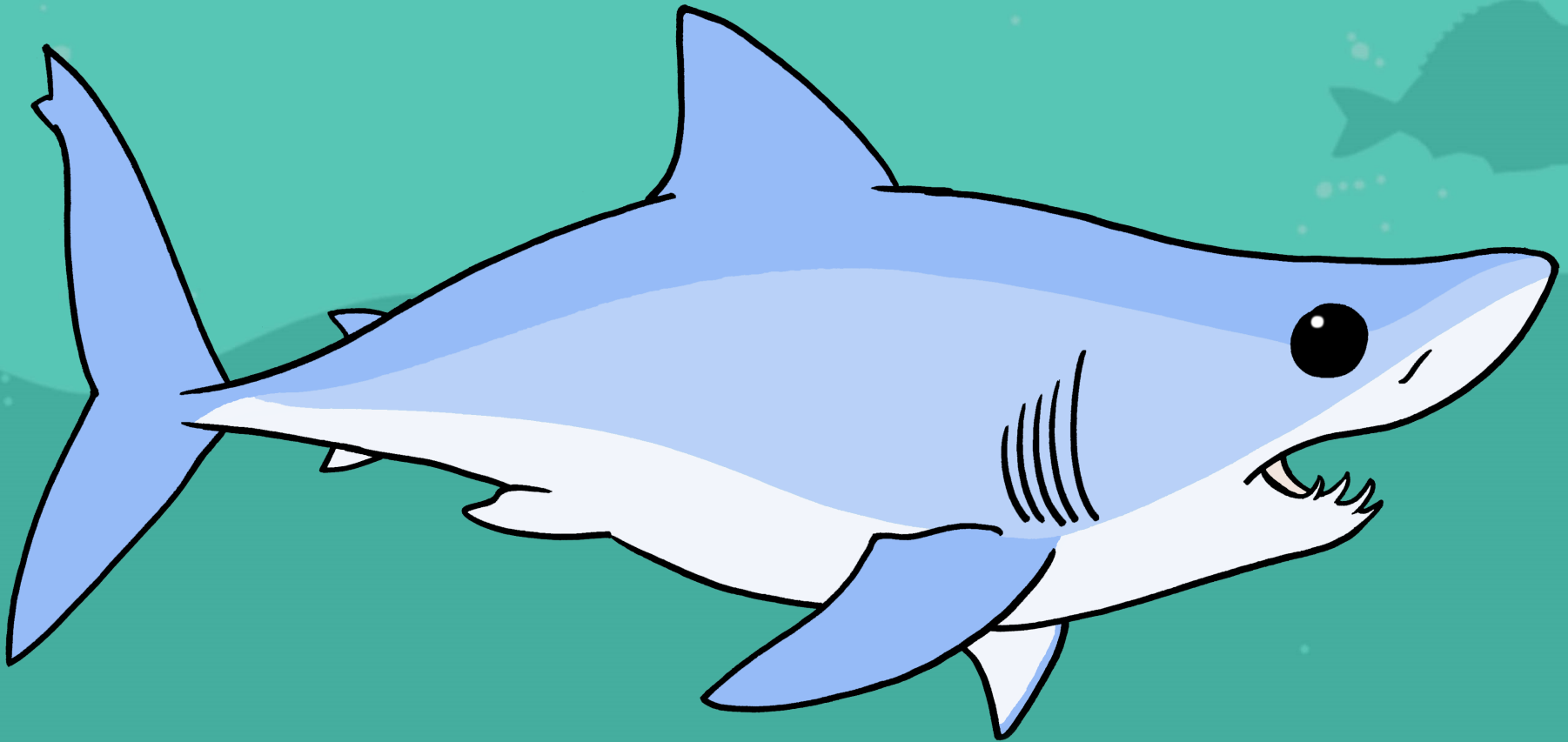
Our biggest shark, the basking shark, are as heavy as three cars and as long as at least two cars. Despite their gigantic size, they only feed on tiny creatures called plankton.



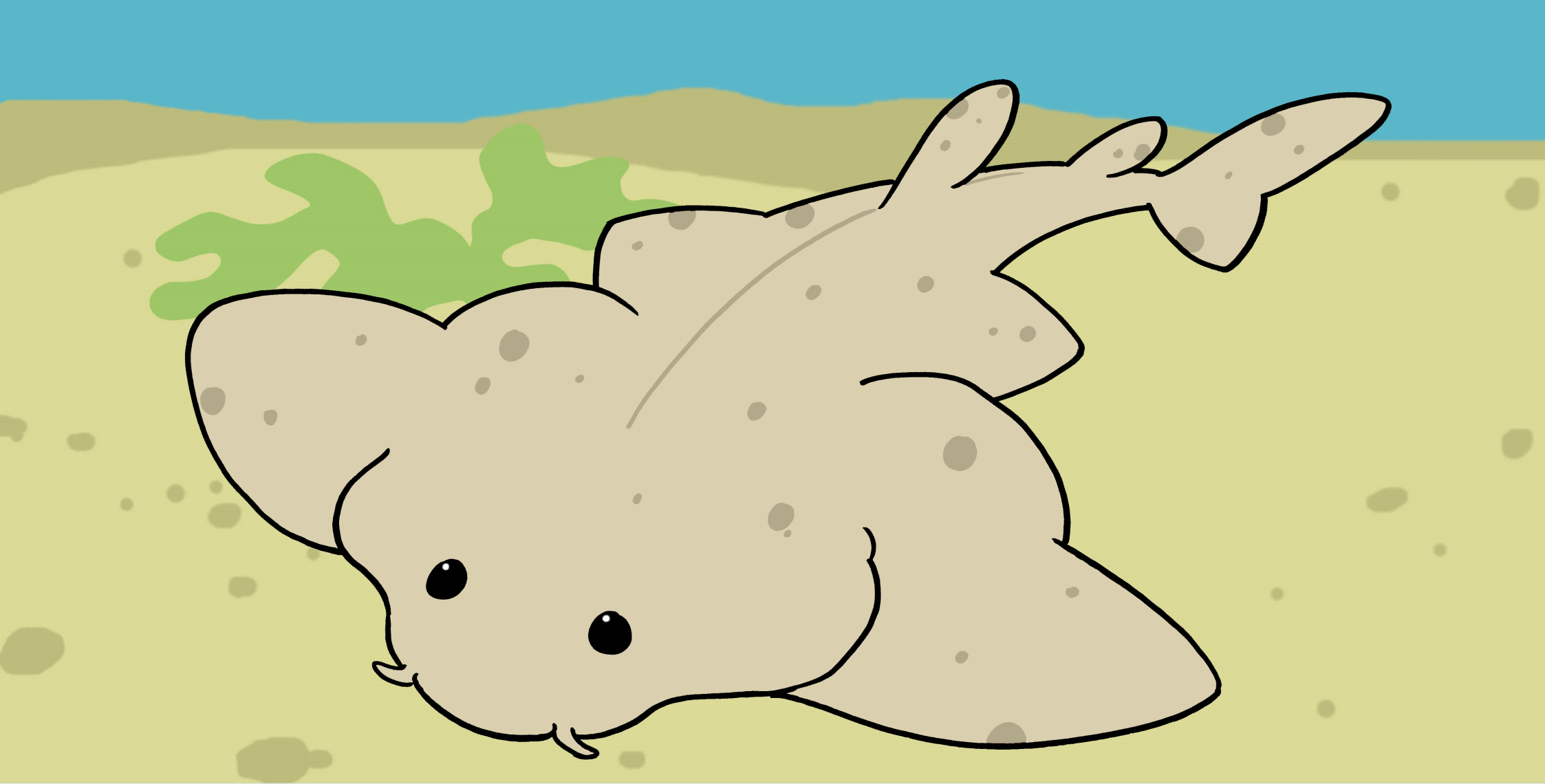
Thresher sharks have an extraordinarily long tail with which they whip at their prey. The strike stuns the fish, which are then easy to catch and eat.



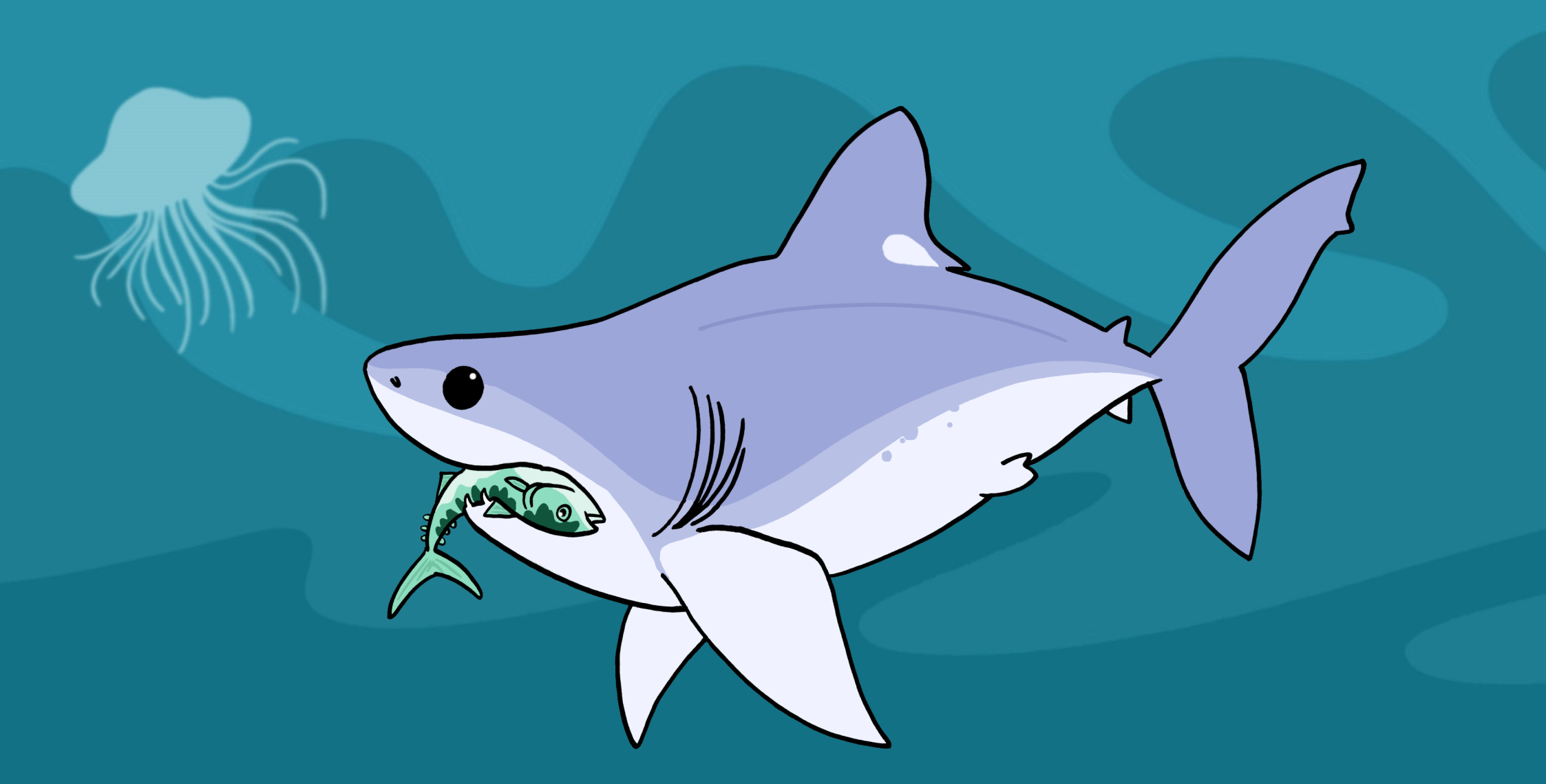
The skin of the starry smooth-hound shark is speckled with small bright spots. They like to munch on small creatures they find on the seabed, such as crabs and lobsters.



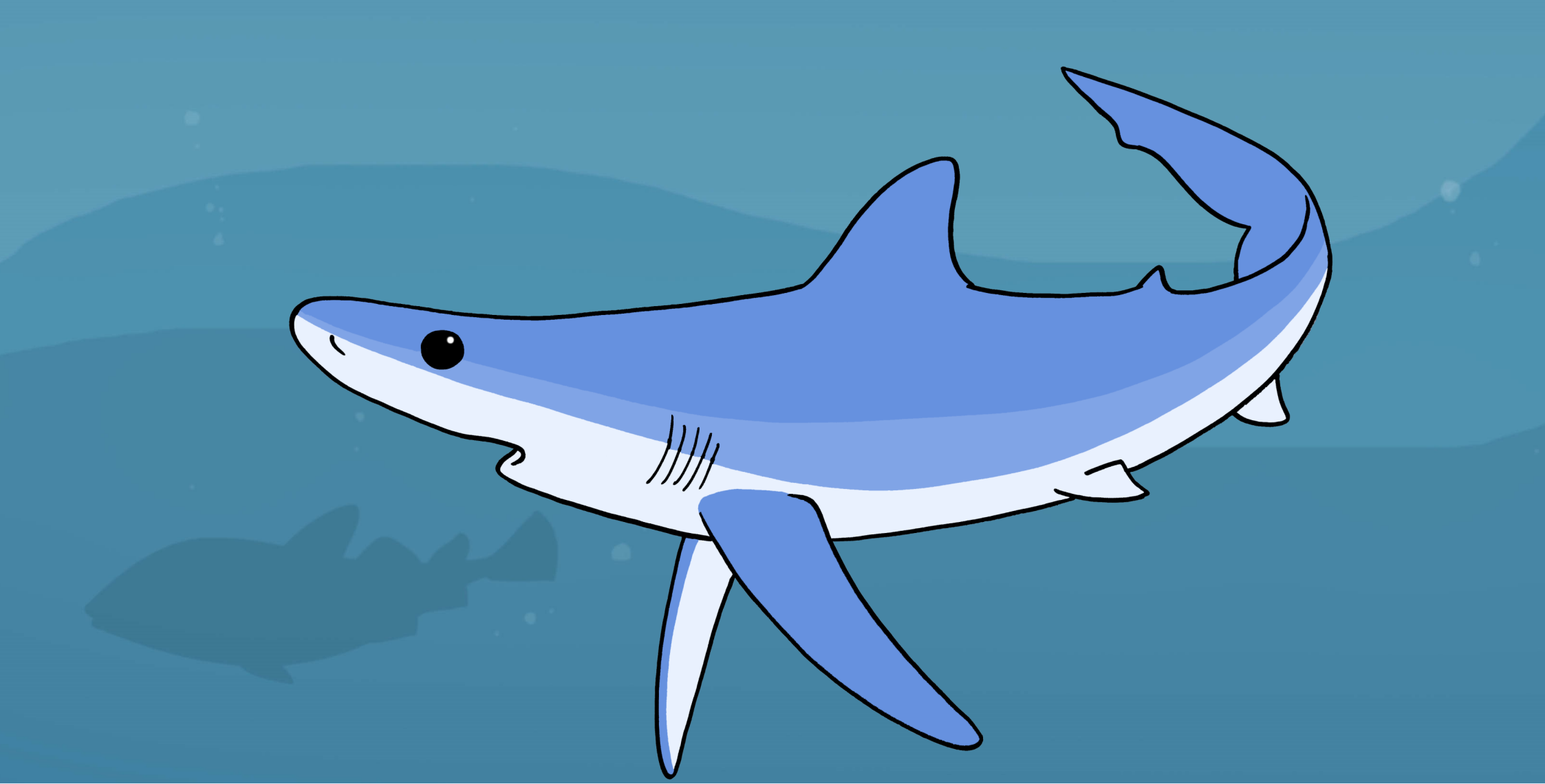
A very fast swimmer, with hooked teeth to ensnare fish, the shortfin mako is a pacey and powerful predator.



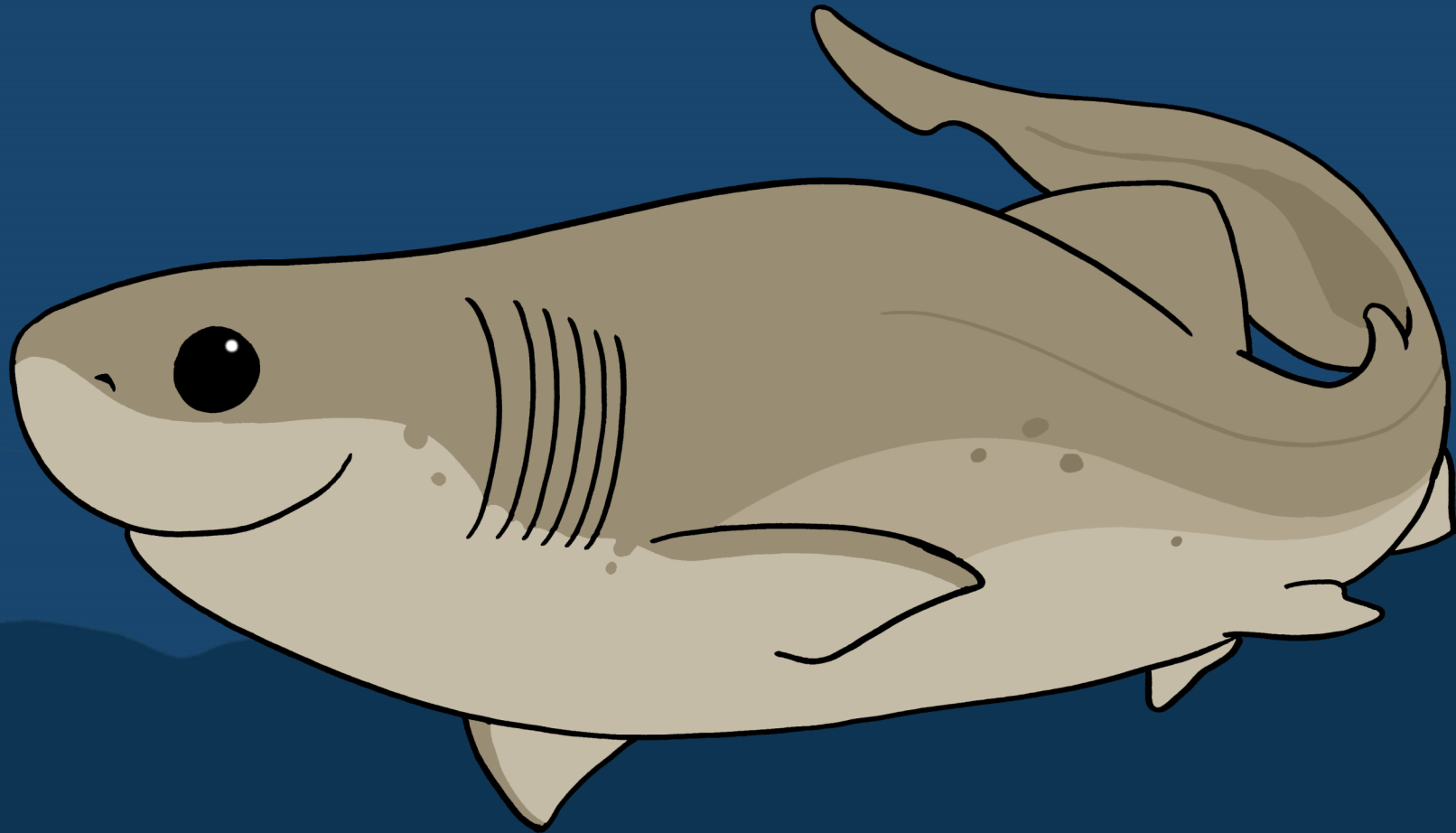
With a flattened body that blends into the seabed, the angel shark looks rather like a ray. Rather than actively hunt for their food, this shark waits to ambush any prey passing by.



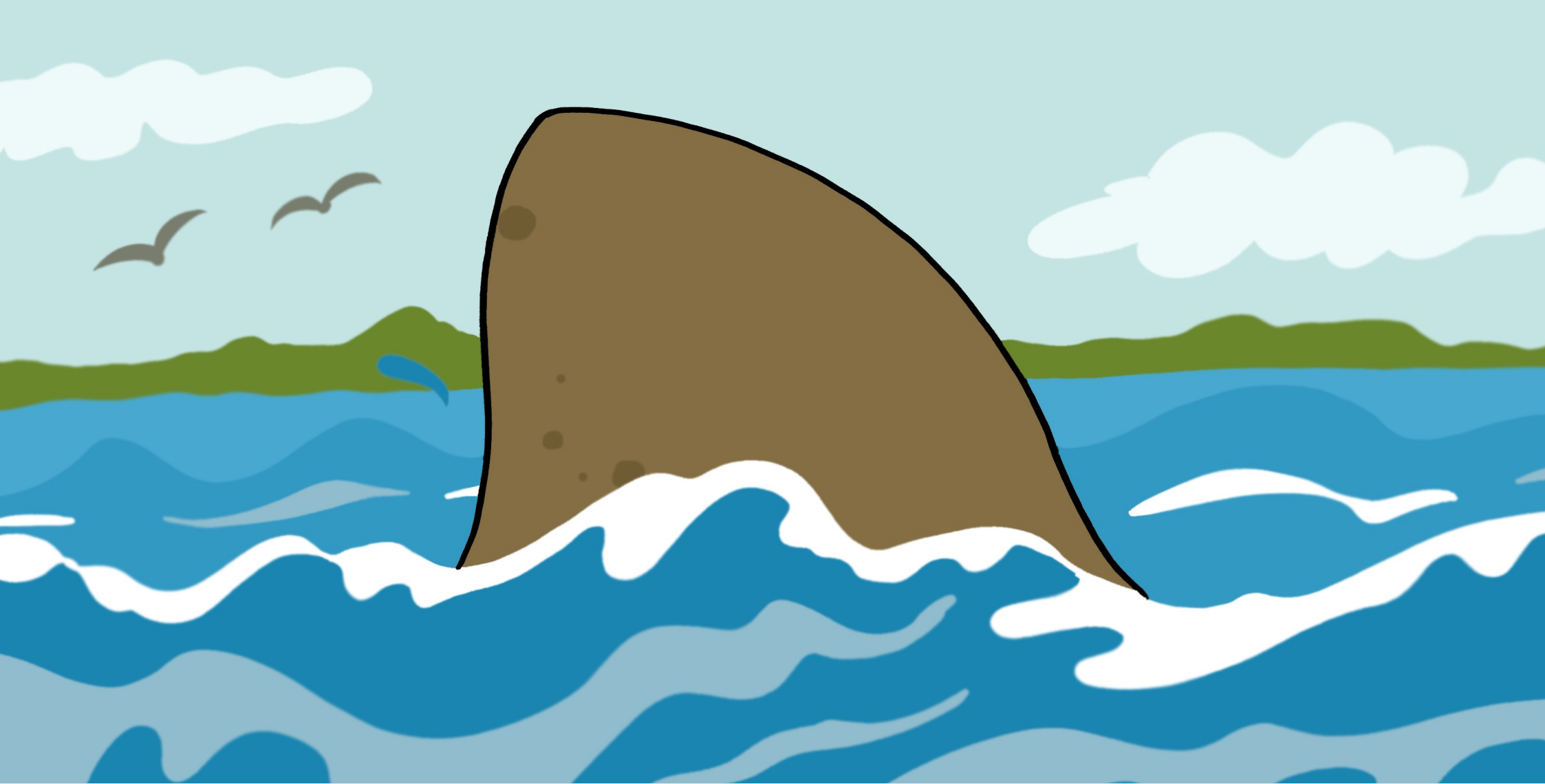
The porbeagle shark prefers to hunt in deeper waters, where it hunts fish, octopus and squid. Whilst related to the great white, they are about half the size of their famous cousins.



The incredible sense of smell of the blue shark guides it to sources of food. It has long fins that act like a glider, helping the shark to cruise around the seas.



An ancient, deep-sea species, the bluntnose sixgill is a large shark that feeds on all manner of prey, including fish, seals and even other types of shark!



Did you enjoy learning about these superb sharks?
What can you remember?

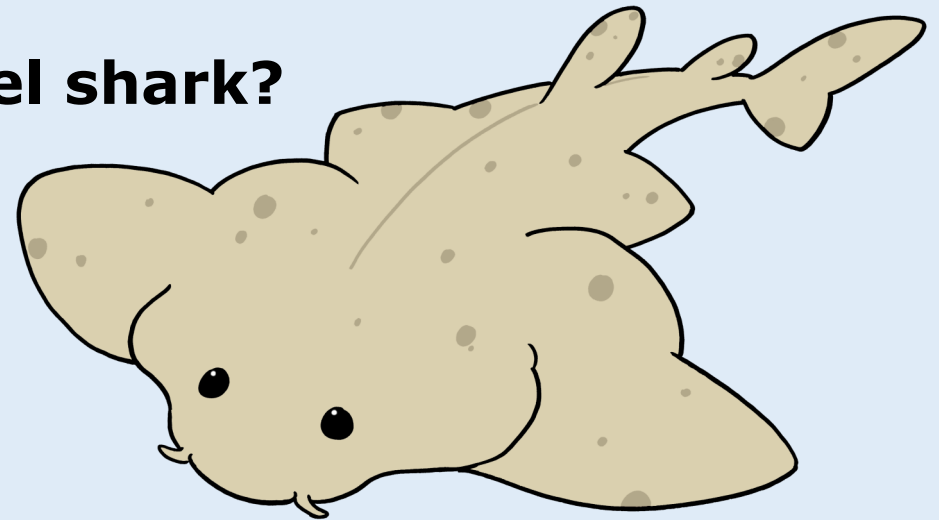
Questions

Which shark has a long, whip-like tail?

How many cars weigh the same as a basking shark?

Can you describe your favourite shark?

Where might you find an angel shark?



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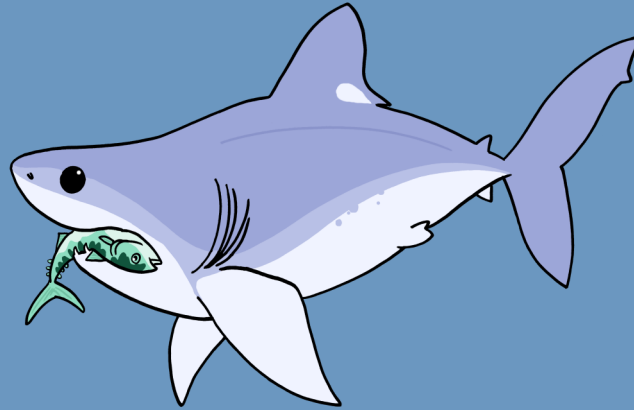


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