

A Whale of a Newsletter

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WHERE IN THE WORLD

Amanda



Educator Amanda had a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to swim with humpback whales. She spent a week on Grand Turk, a calving ground for the North Atlantic humpback whales during the winter. She was able to swim in-water with these gentle giants and found herself eye to eye with humpback whales. Her most memorable encounters were with a mom and calf, mom being identified as a Gulf of Maine humpback named "Indiana", as well as a male humpback singing his heart out. She sat and watched as he sang for over an hour! Check out her video [here](#).

Michaela



Michaela has spent the past few weeks working with ORCA. This group is based in the UK and works to help whales and dolphins by collecting sighting information from opportunistic platforms like expedition cruises that move through whale habitats. Michaela has been recording the species the ship sees traveling between the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and Antarctica. It's been an amazing experience. [Click here](#) to watch a short video of her trip!

LINKS TO ACTIVITIES

In 2020, Cynde helped create activities for the Year of the Right Whale. [Click here](#) to go to the activities page to find all the activities and links related to right whales--including a 20-minute introductory video you could share with your class. [Where do the females go](#) and [where do the males go](#) involve graphing and are great for middle school! If you use some, [email us](#) and let us know how it goes!



WHALES IN THE NEWS

Gray whale in the Atlantic?

Did you hear about the gray whale that was sighted off Massachusetts? This marks the 5th sighting of a gray whale in Atlantic and Mediterranean waters in the past 15 years. What makes this especially intriguing is that the species has been extinct in the Atlantic for over 200 years! Curious to delve deeper into this rare sighting? We've compiled a list of articles with many of the details we have. Just click here to find information you can share with your class!

Click titles for more info.

AMAZING KIDS

Aeon for Ocean



Aeon for Ocean was founded by Aeon, a 7-year-old from Minnesota, to empower his peers to protect the ocean and this beautiful planet. Aeon has been passionate about marine life since he was two years old, and he is an avid advocate for the ocean and its creatures. His love of the world's oceans and his drive for conservation has inspired his parents and classmates alike.

WHAT IN THE WHALE WORLD?!

Gray Whales in the Atlantic

