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## Questions



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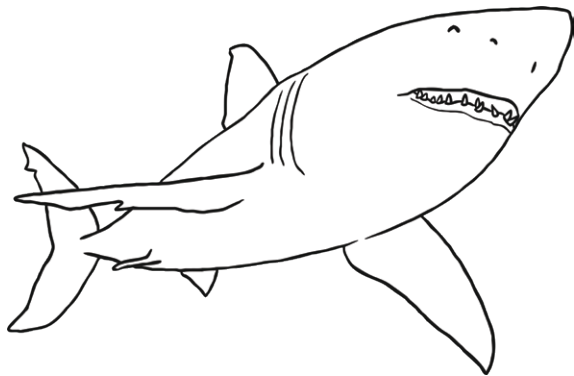
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## Answers



1. Why do you think that the great white shark is at the top of the ocean's food chain?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the great white shark is the top of the food chain because they are too big to be eaten by anything else.**



2. Where are most great white sharks found?

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