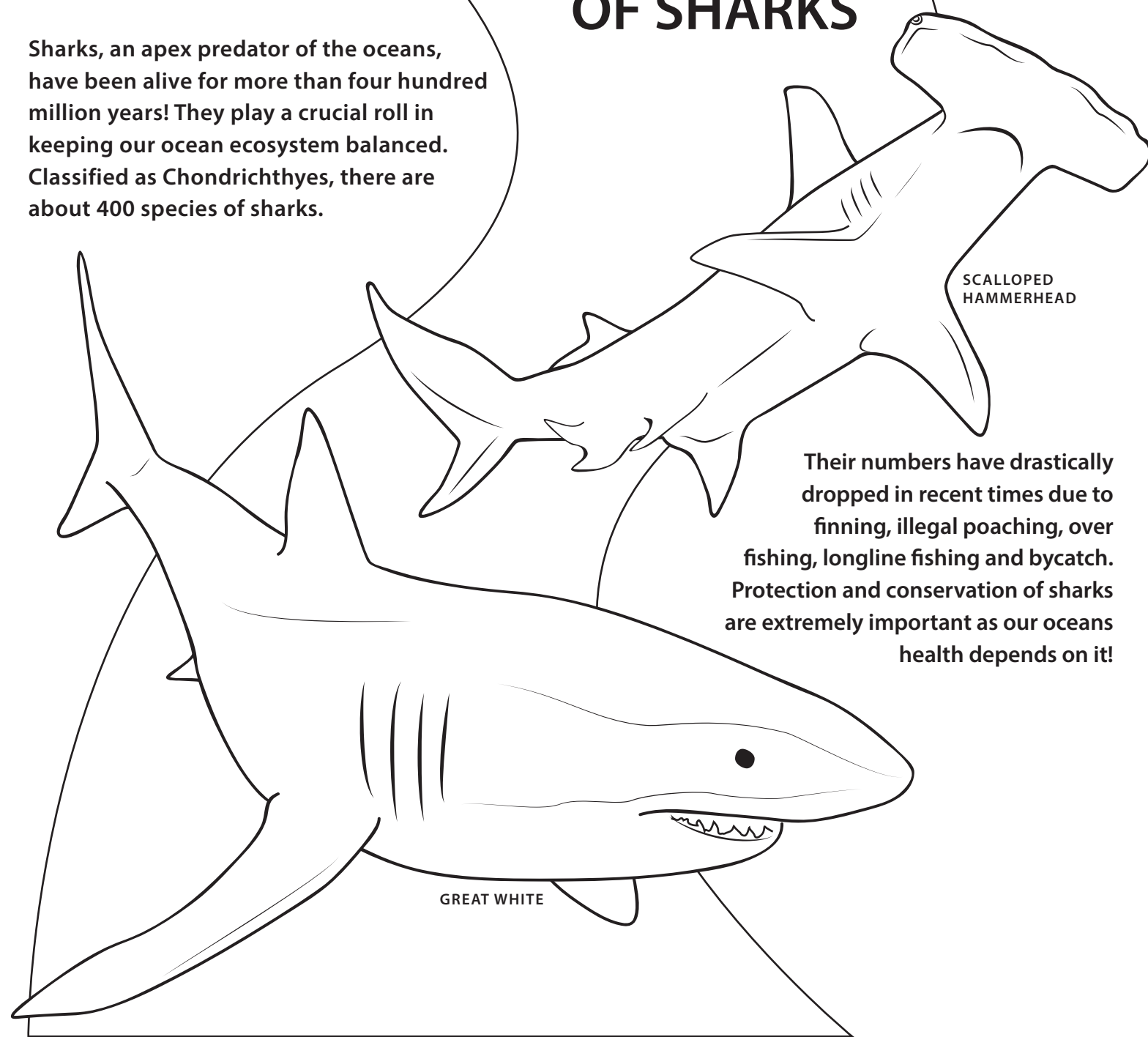


THE IMPORTANCE OF SHARKS

Sharks, an apex predator of the oceans, have been alive for more than four hundred million years! They play a crucial roll in keeping our ocean ecosystem balanced. Classified as Chondrichthyes, there are about 400 species of sharks.

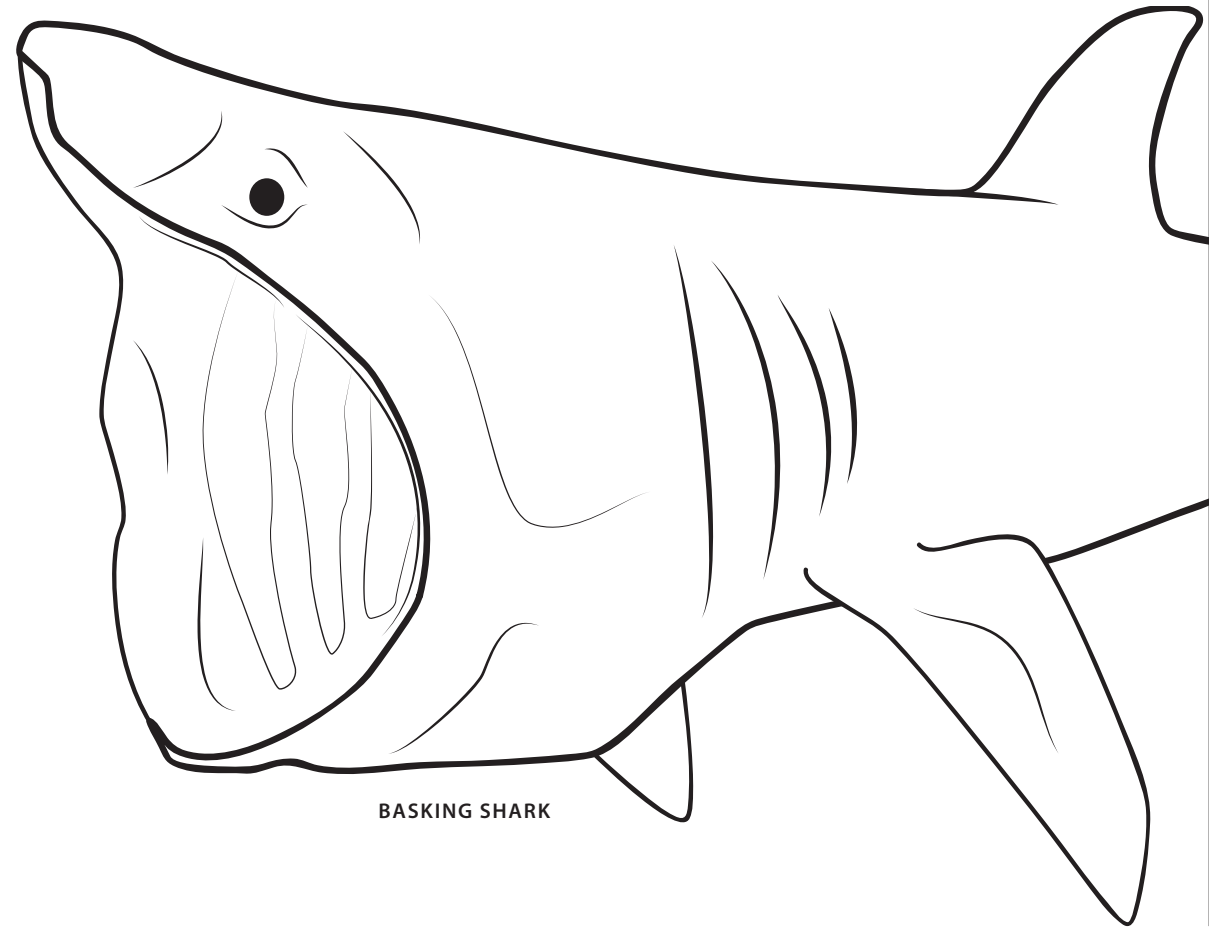


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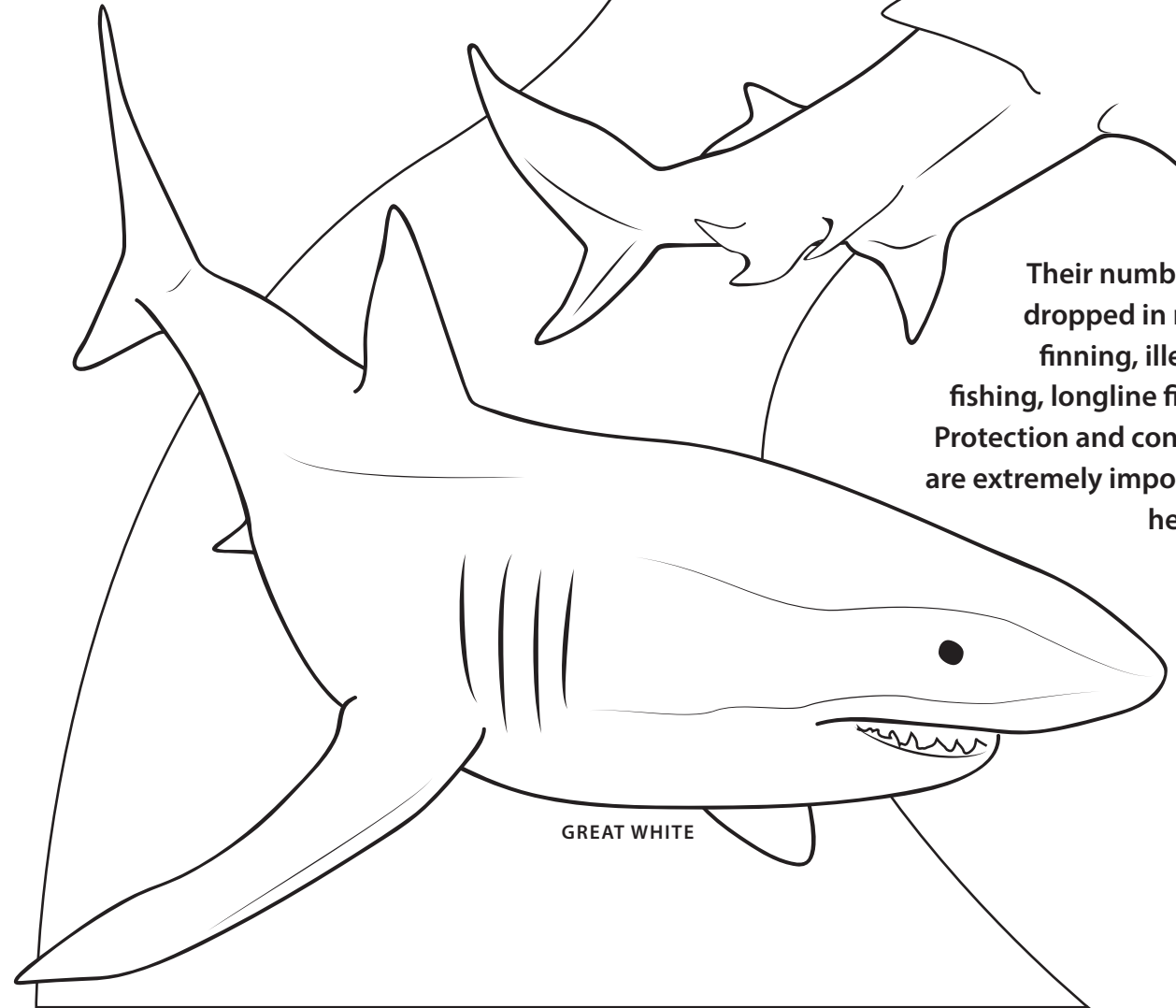


SCALLOPED HAMMERHEAD

Their numbers have drastically dropped in recent times due to finning, illegal poaching, over fishing, longline fishing and bycatch. Protection and conservation of sharks are extremely important as our oceans health depends on it!



BASKING SHARK



GREAT WHITE

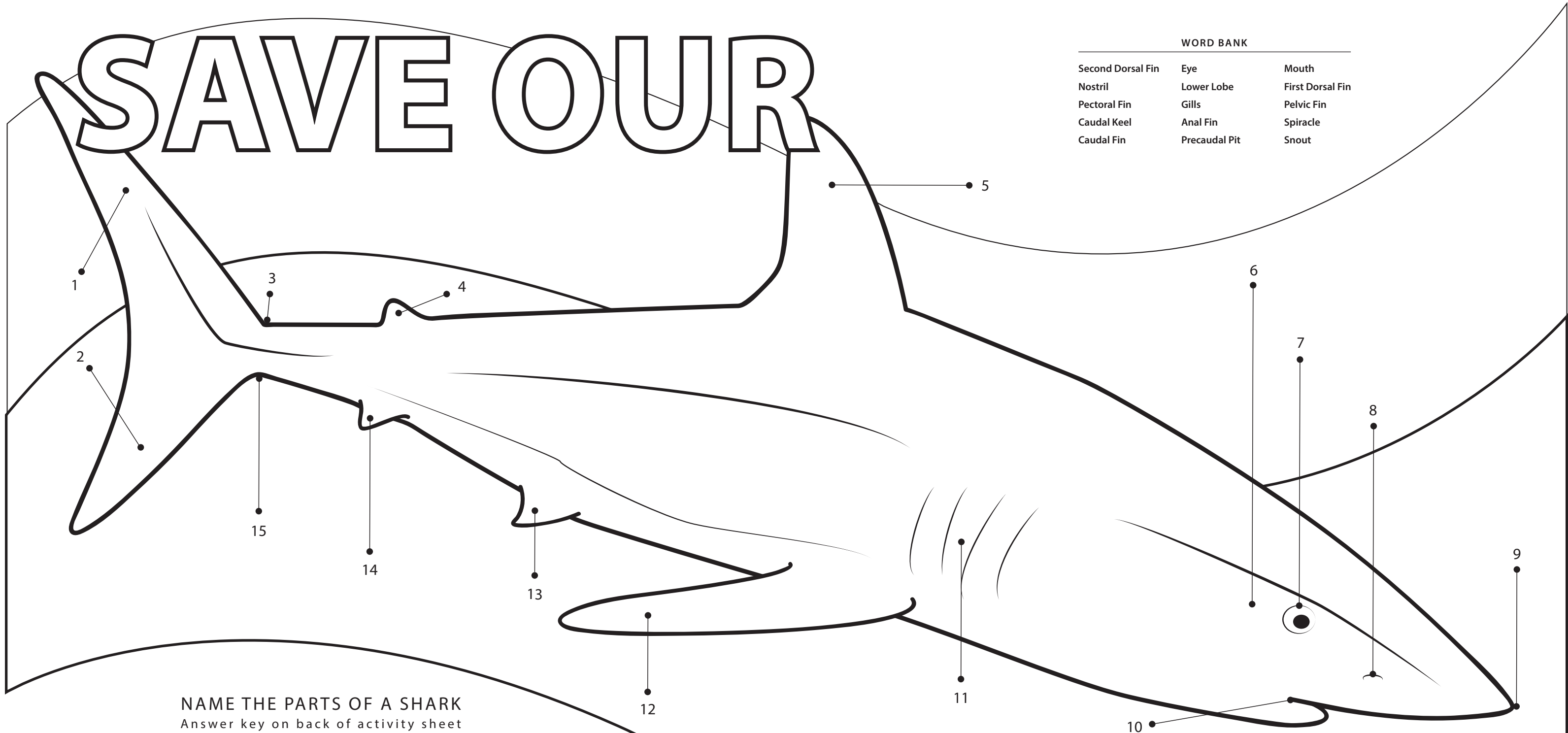
- ANSWER KEY
- 1 Caudal Fin
 - 2 Lower Lobe
 - 3 Precaudal Pit
 - 4 Second Dorsal Fin
 - 5 First Dorsal Fin
 - 6 Spiracle
 - 7 Eye
 - 8 Nostril
 - 9 Snout
 - 10 Mouth
 - 11 Gills
 - 12 Pectoral Fin
 - 13 Pelvic Fin
 - 14 Anal Fin
 - 15 Caudal Keel



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| Caudal Fin | Precaudal Pit | Snout |



NAME THE PARTS OF A SHARK
Answer key on back of activity sheet

1 _____	9 _____
2 _____	10 _____
3 _____	11 _____
4 _____	12 _____
5 _____	13 _____
6 _____	14 _____
7 _____	15 _____
8 _____	

SHARKS