



Shark Story (Vocabulary Edition)



Directions: Write a suspenseful short story about a character who encounters a shark. For each sentence, choose one vocabulary word from the given list and use it in your sentence. Your goal: craft a vivid, intense story and flex your vocabulary muscles.

Sentence 1: Introduce a **character** who encounters a **shark**.

Choose one: mesmerized, inexperienced, intrepid, skeptical



Example: Ethan, an intrepid diver with a taste for adventure, had never expected to come face to face with a real shark.

Sentence 2: Describe the shark using a **simile**.

Choose one: sleek, ravenous, stealthy, immense



Example: The shark was like a stealthy missile, gliding through the water with barely a ripple.

Sentence 3: Mention the **location** of the **encounter**.

Choose one: remote, exotic, submerged, coastal



Example: Off the coast of a remote island, Ethan hovered just above the coral reef when the shark appeared.

Sentence 4: Introduce a **problem** caused by the **shark**.

Choose one: threatening, relentless, unpredictable, immediate



Example: The shark's unpredictable movement made it impossible to tell whether it would attack—or vanish

Sentence 6: Use **one** of these words:

shocked, ancient, terrifying, elusive



Example: He was shocked at the shark's eerie calm, as though it had done this a thousand times before.

Sentence 7: Write a sentence with exactly **four words**.

Choose one to include: churned, vanished, lurked, trembled



Example: The surface suddenly churned.

Sentence 8: Begin with “**Although...**”

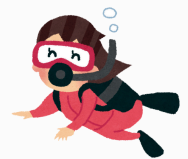
Choose one: brave, trembling, hopeful, experienced



Example: Although experienced, Ethan struggled to remember what to do in a situation like this.

Sentence 9: Mention a **person's name**.

Choose one: Maya, Theo, Jasmine, Leo



Example: He glanced around for Maya, but the water was empty—too quiet.

Sentence 10: End with a **dramatic cliffhanger**.

Choose one: surge, scream, shadow, silence



Example: And then, out of the silence, a massive shadow rose beneath him.
