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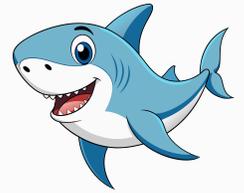
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## Shark Encounter Writing Challenge



Write a short story about a character encountering a shark, using the provided sentence structure.

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

*Example: Ethan had always been fascinated by sharks, but nothing prepared him for the day he found himself face to face with one.*

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



*Example: The shark was like a living torpedo, its sleek body slicing through the water with incredible speed.*

**Sentence 3:** Mention the **location** where the shark encounter takes place.

*Example: Ethan was snorkeling off the coast of a small tropical island when he saw the shark.*

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

*Example: Panic set in as the shark began to circle him, and Ethan realized his boat was too far away to reach.*



**Sentence 5:** Include **dialogue** expressing shock or excitement.

*Example: "This can't be happening!" Ethan yelled, his heart racing as the shark swam closer.*

**Sentence 6:** Use **one** of these words: **shocked, ancient, terrifying, elusive**.

*Example: Ethan was shocked at how calm the shark appeared, moving with an eerie grace.*

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

*Example: The water turned murky.*



**Sentence 8:** Begin with the word "**Although...**"

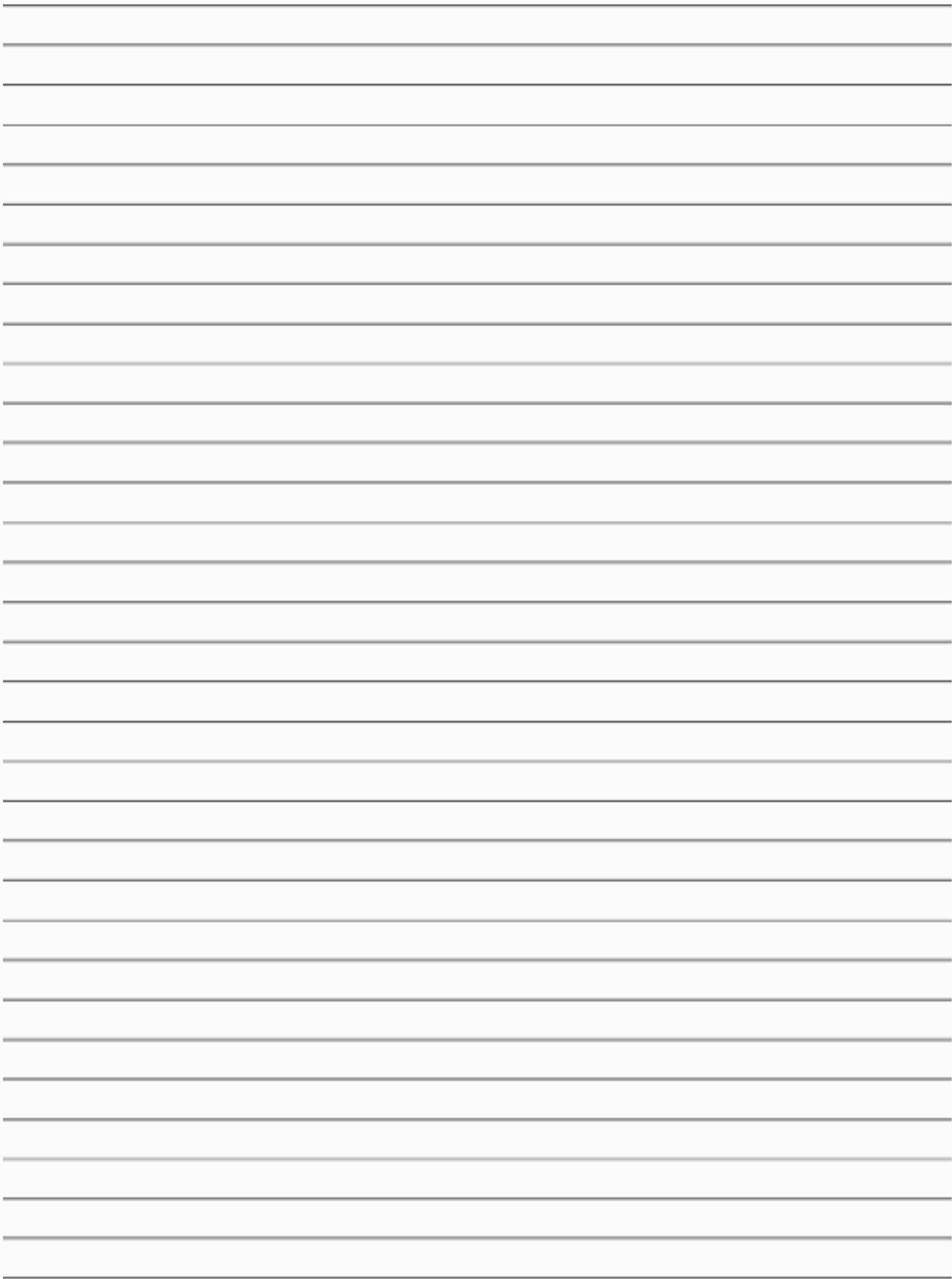
*Example: Although terrified, Ethan remembered what he had read about staying still and avoiding panic.*

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

*Example: His friend Mia, who had been swimming nearby, suddenly disappeared from sight.*

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

*Example: Just as the shark lunged toward him, something huge erupted from the water, splashing violently.*



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