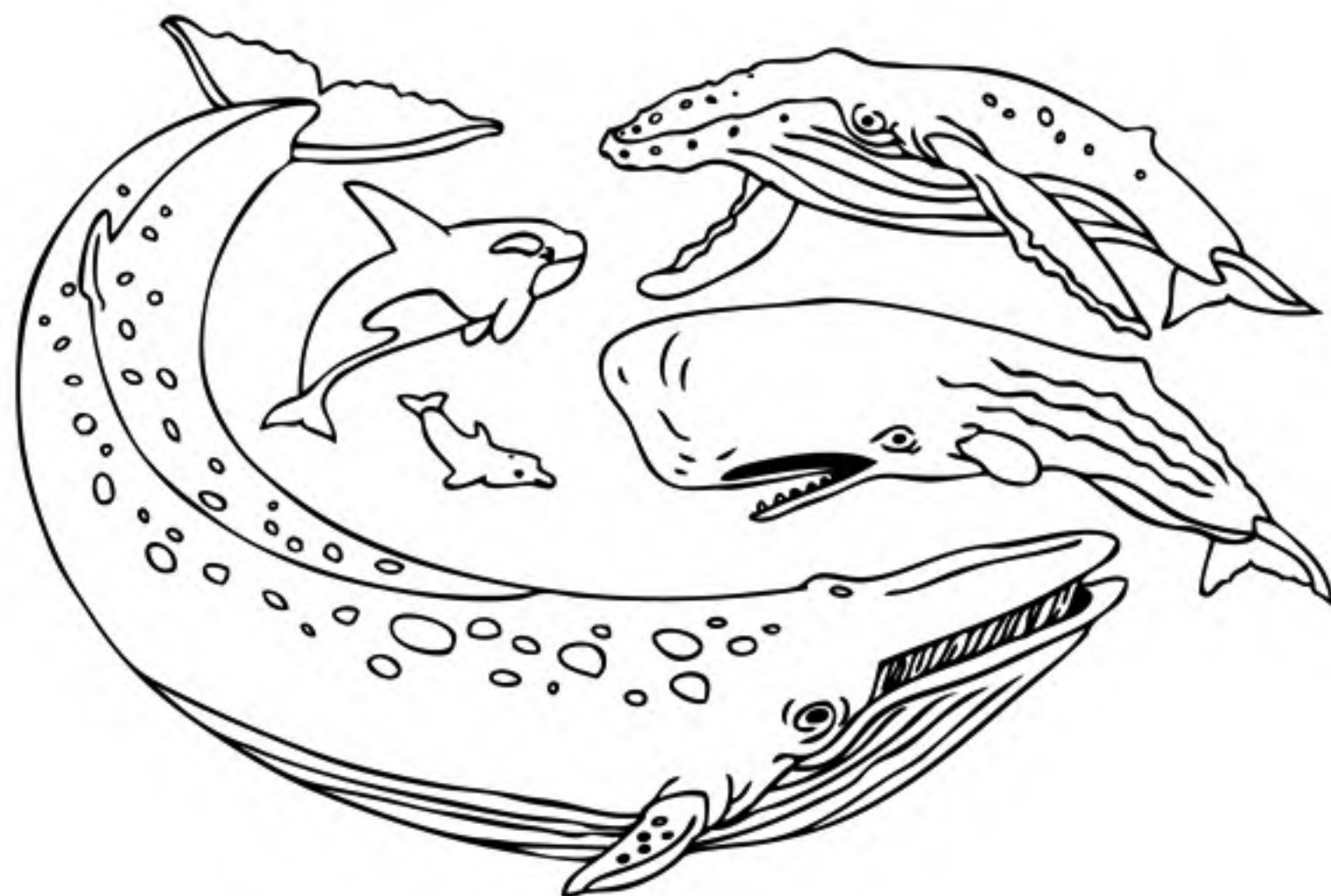


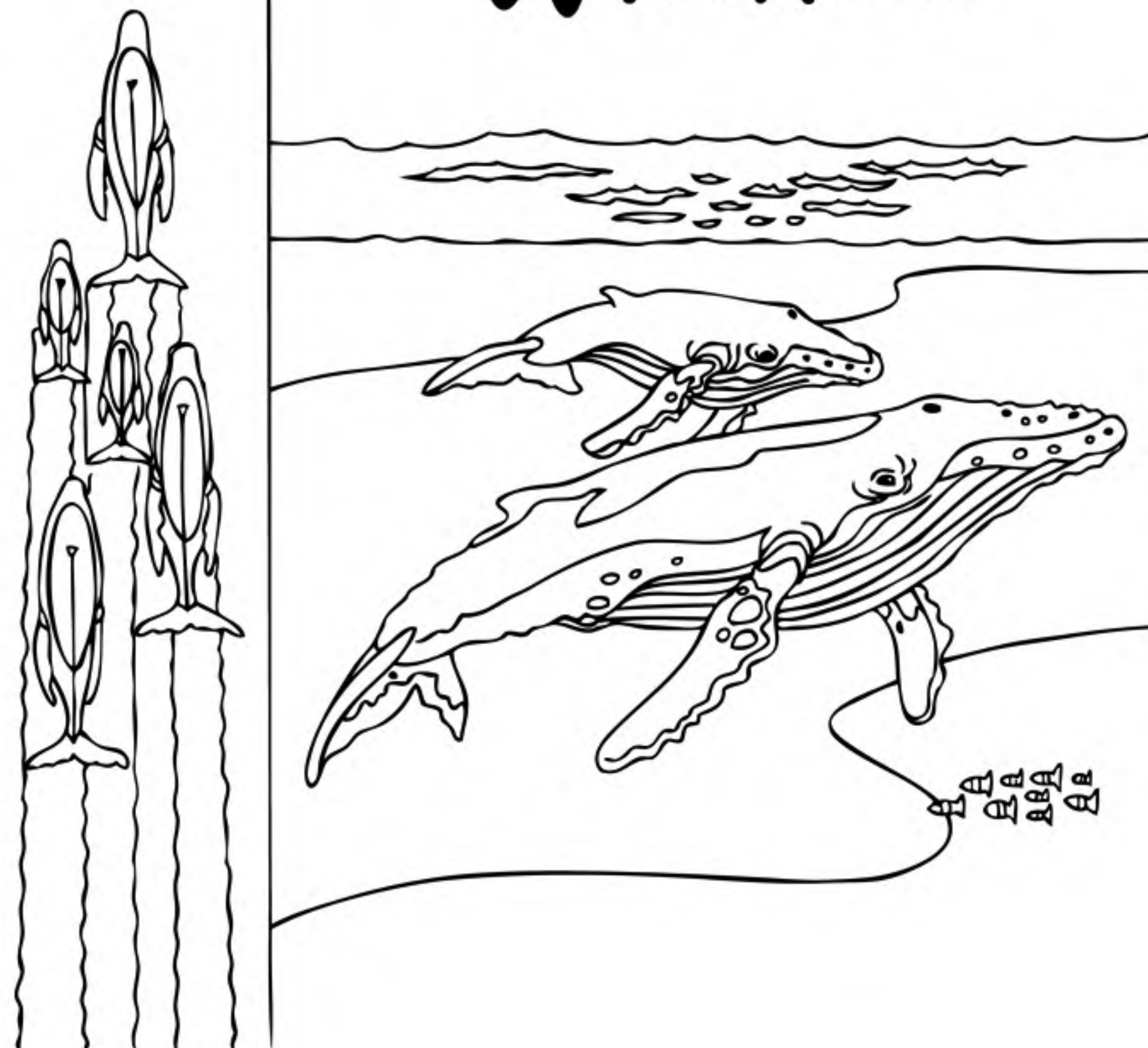
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Whales



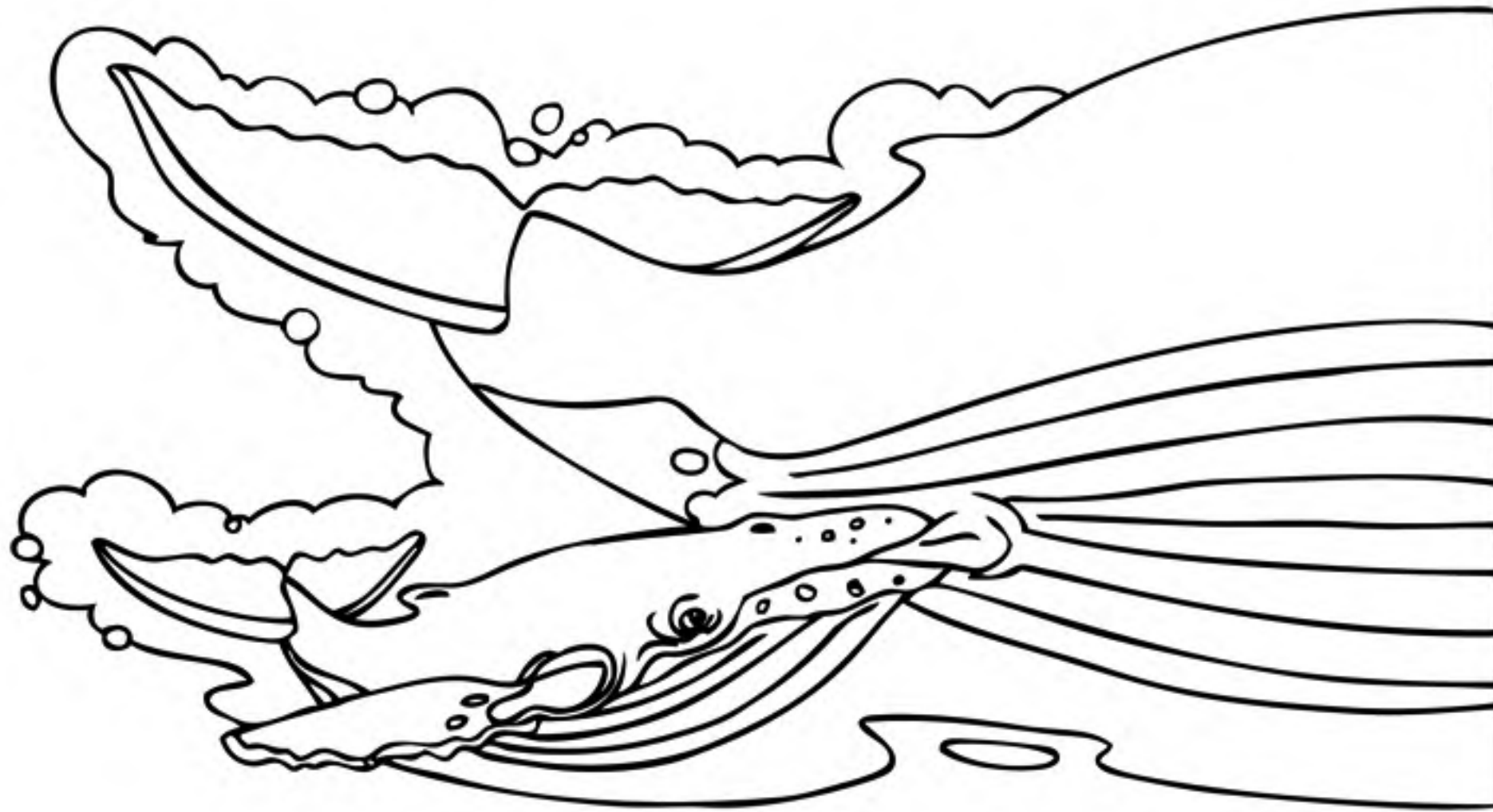
Whales



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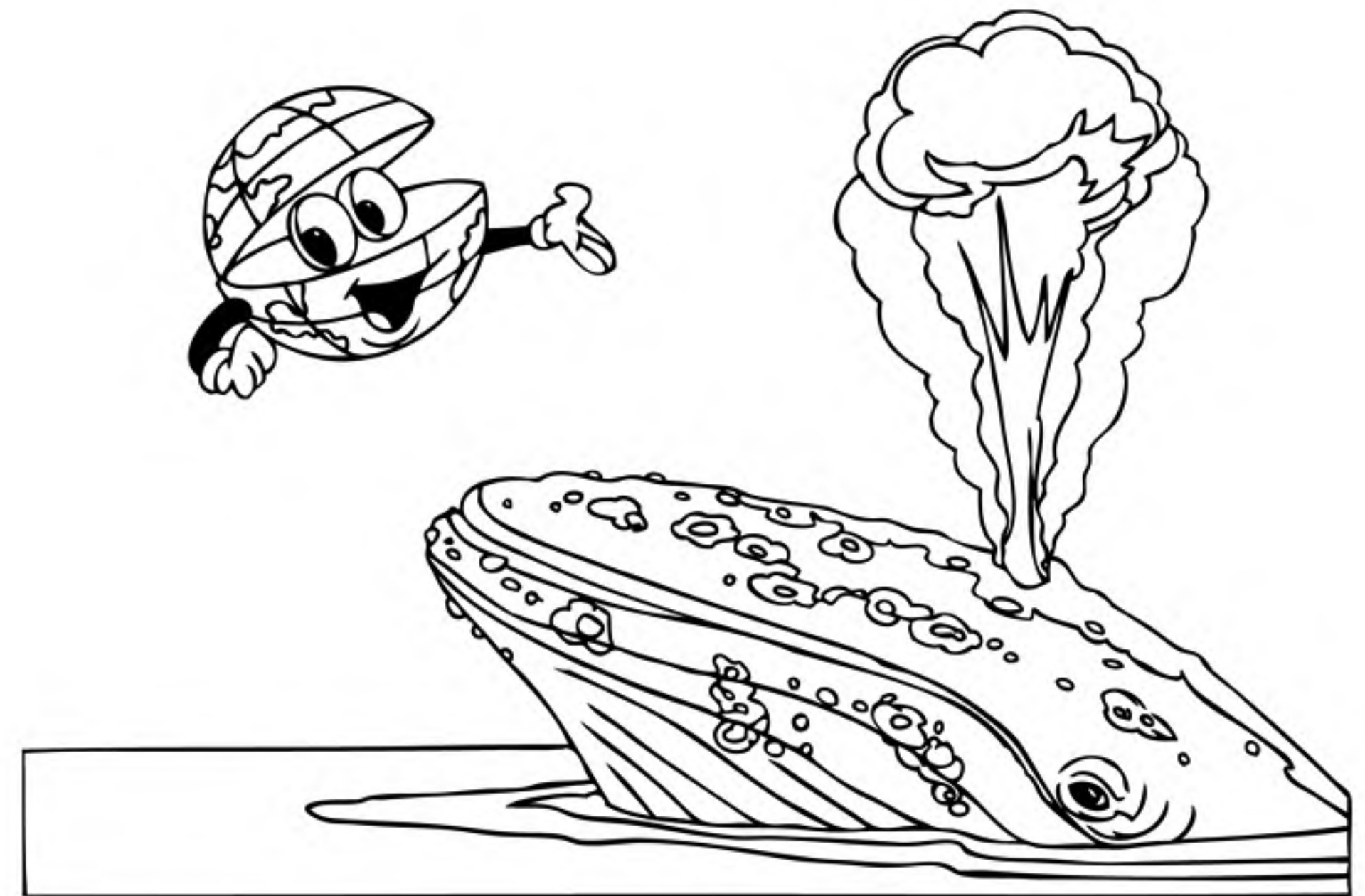
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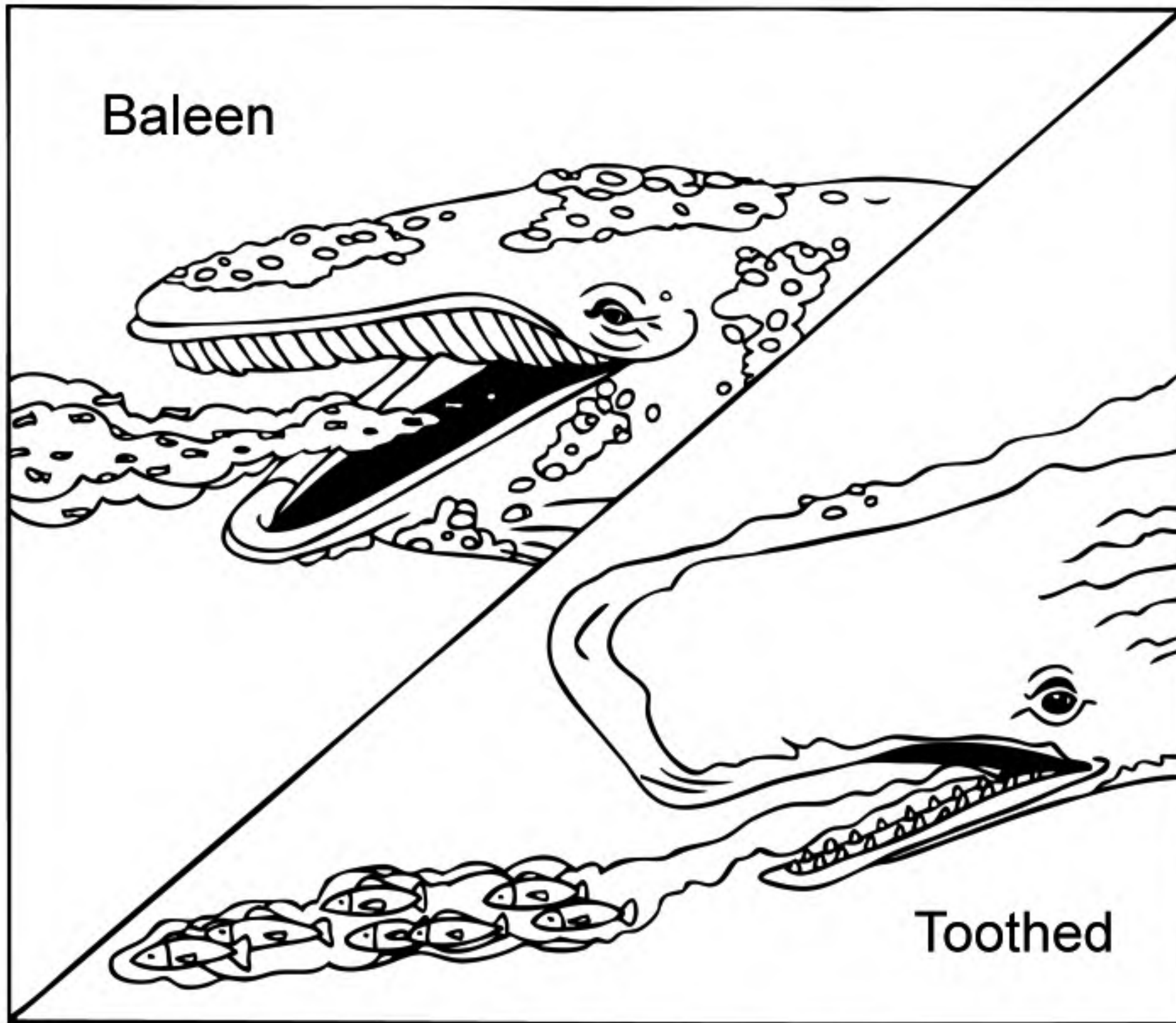
Whales are large animals in the sea.
They look like very large fish. But, like
people, whales are mammals.



They are born alive, not hatched from
eggs like most fish. The baby whales
drink milk from their mothers.

Whales breathe air like people, too. When
whales dive under water, they must come
to the surface to breathe air through their
blowholes.

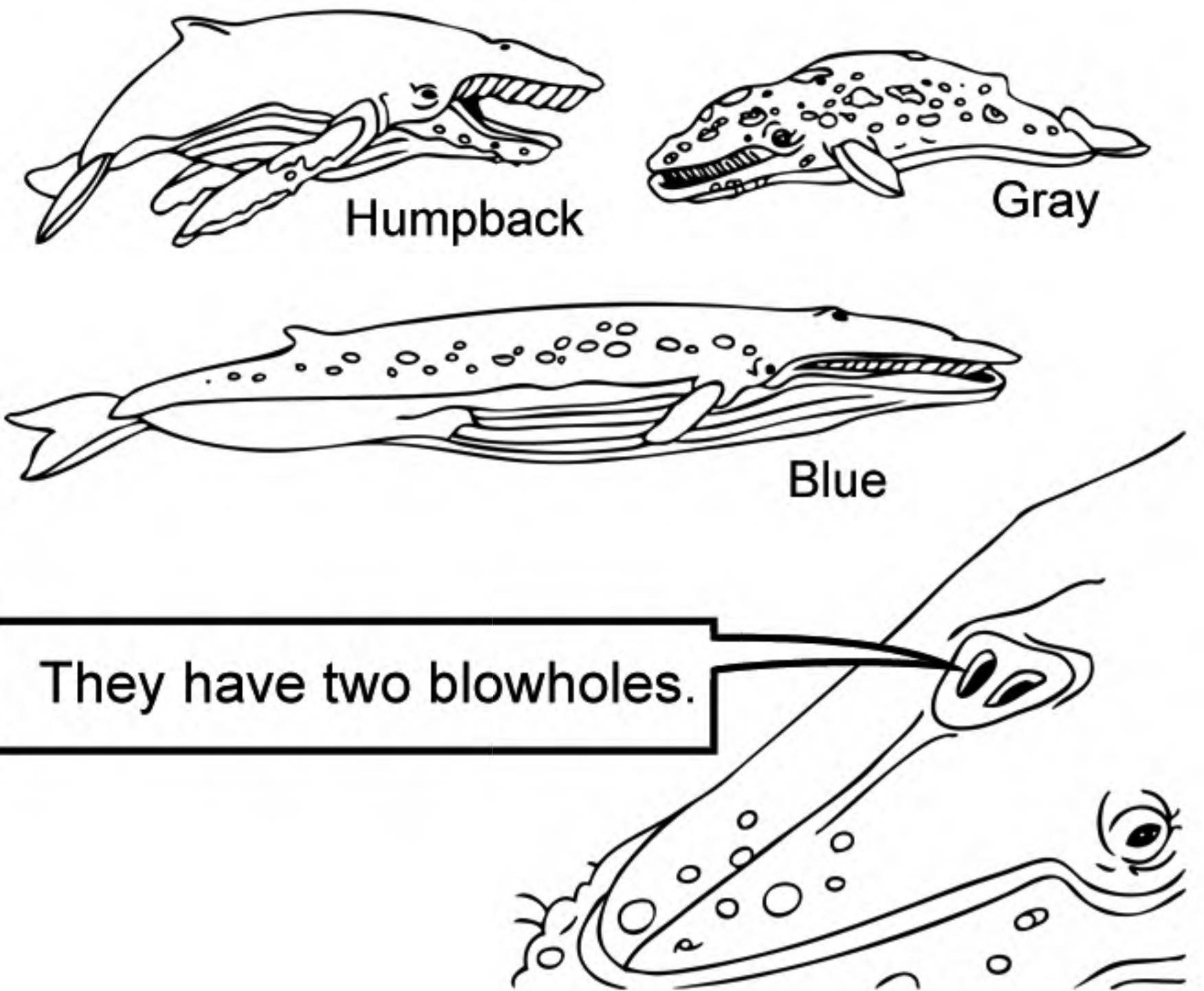




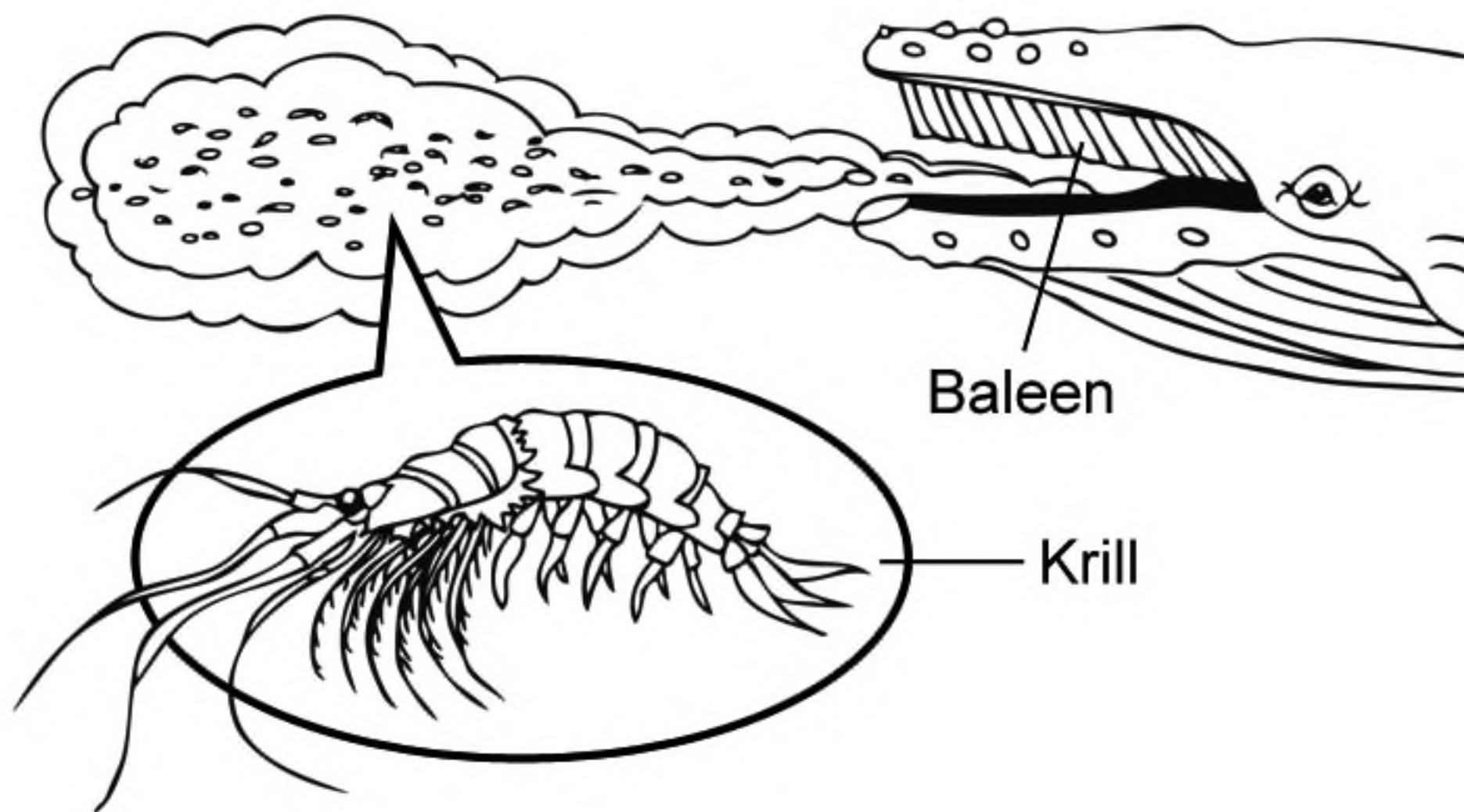
There are two types of whales, baleen whales and toothed whales.

Baleen Whales

Humpback, gray and blue are baleen whales. These whales grow to be very large.

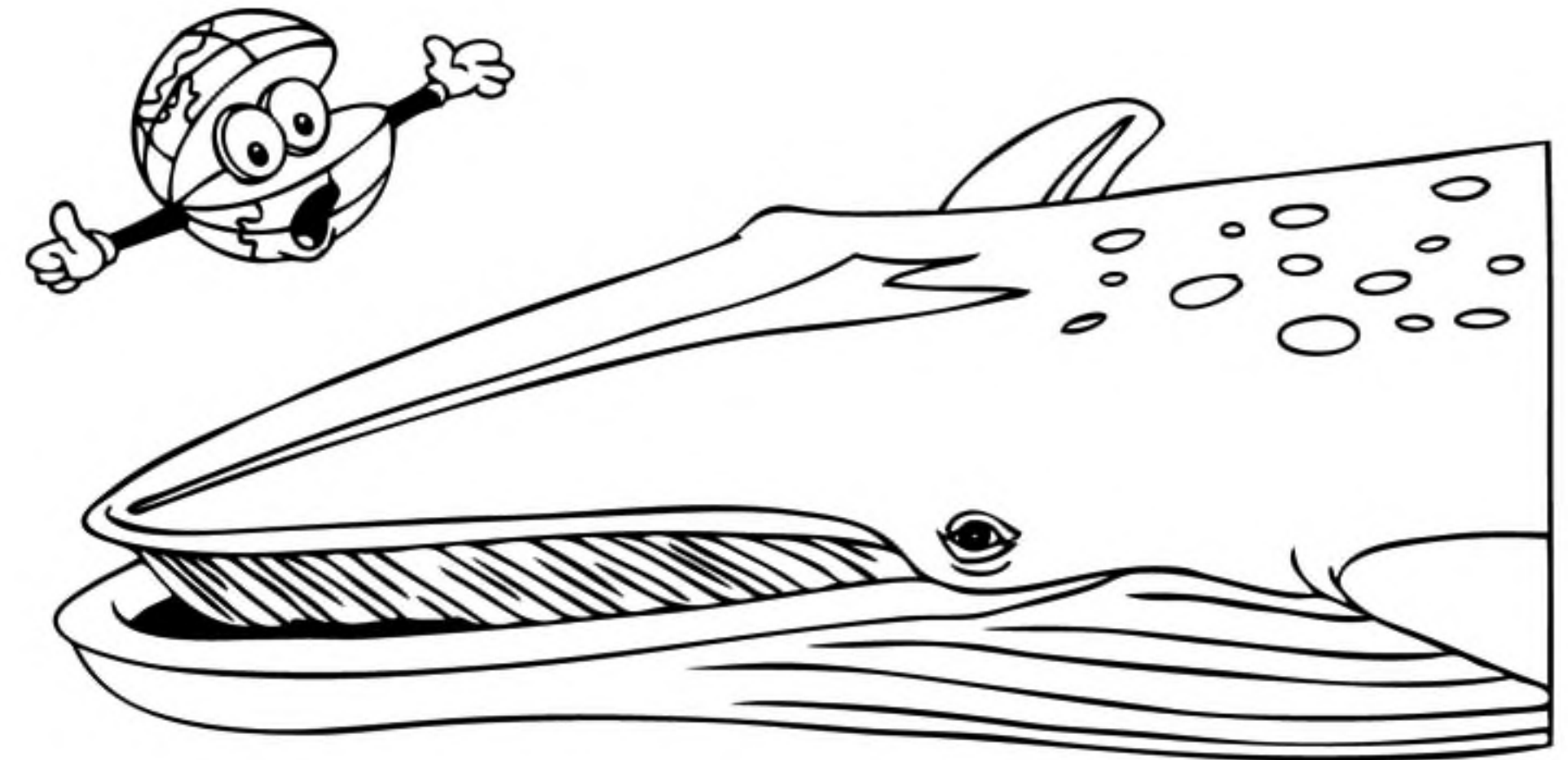


Baleen whales do not have teeth. They have baleen. They use the baleen to trap food inside their mouths.



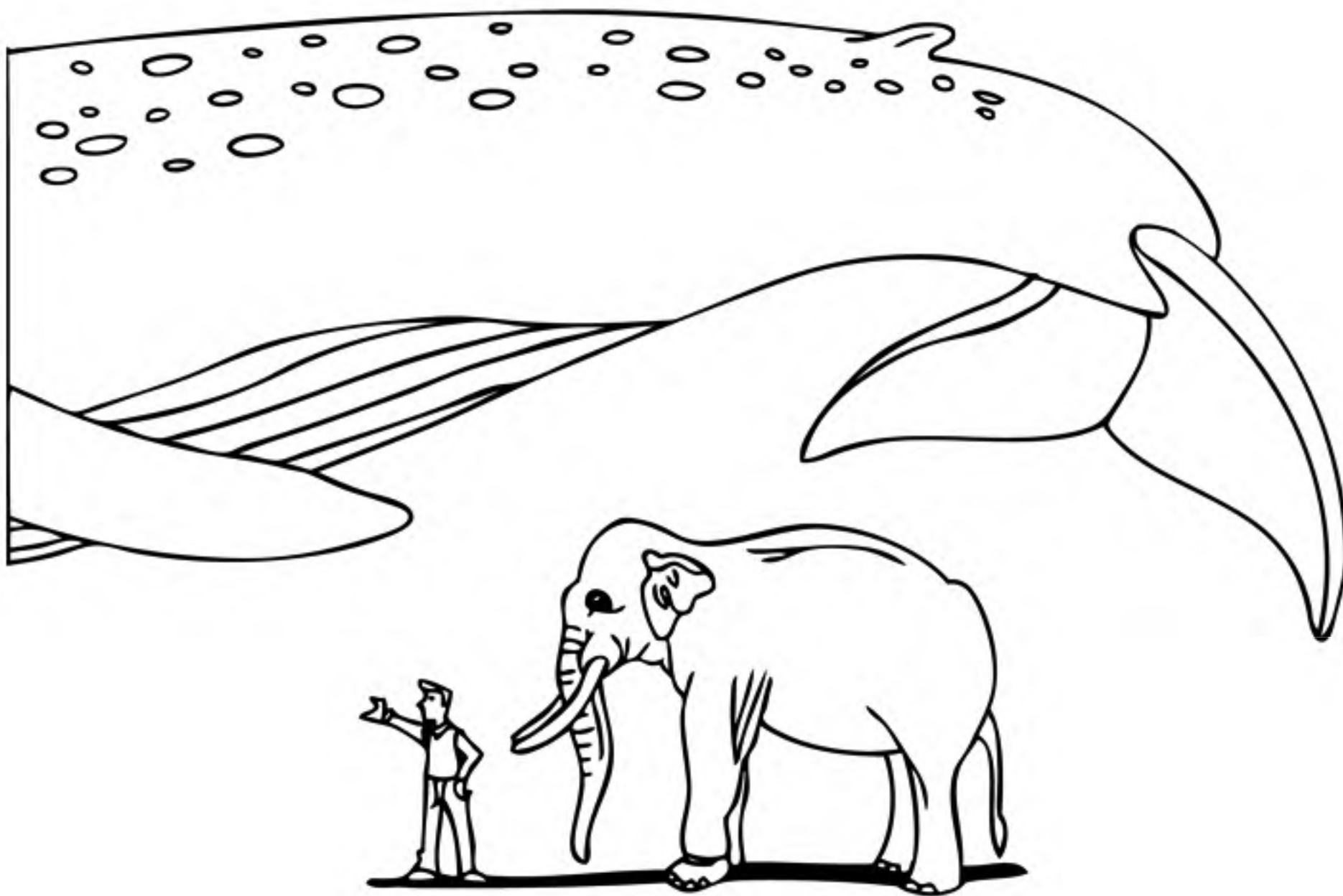
These whales eat small fish and krill, which are like shrimp.

The largest baleen whale is the blue whale.



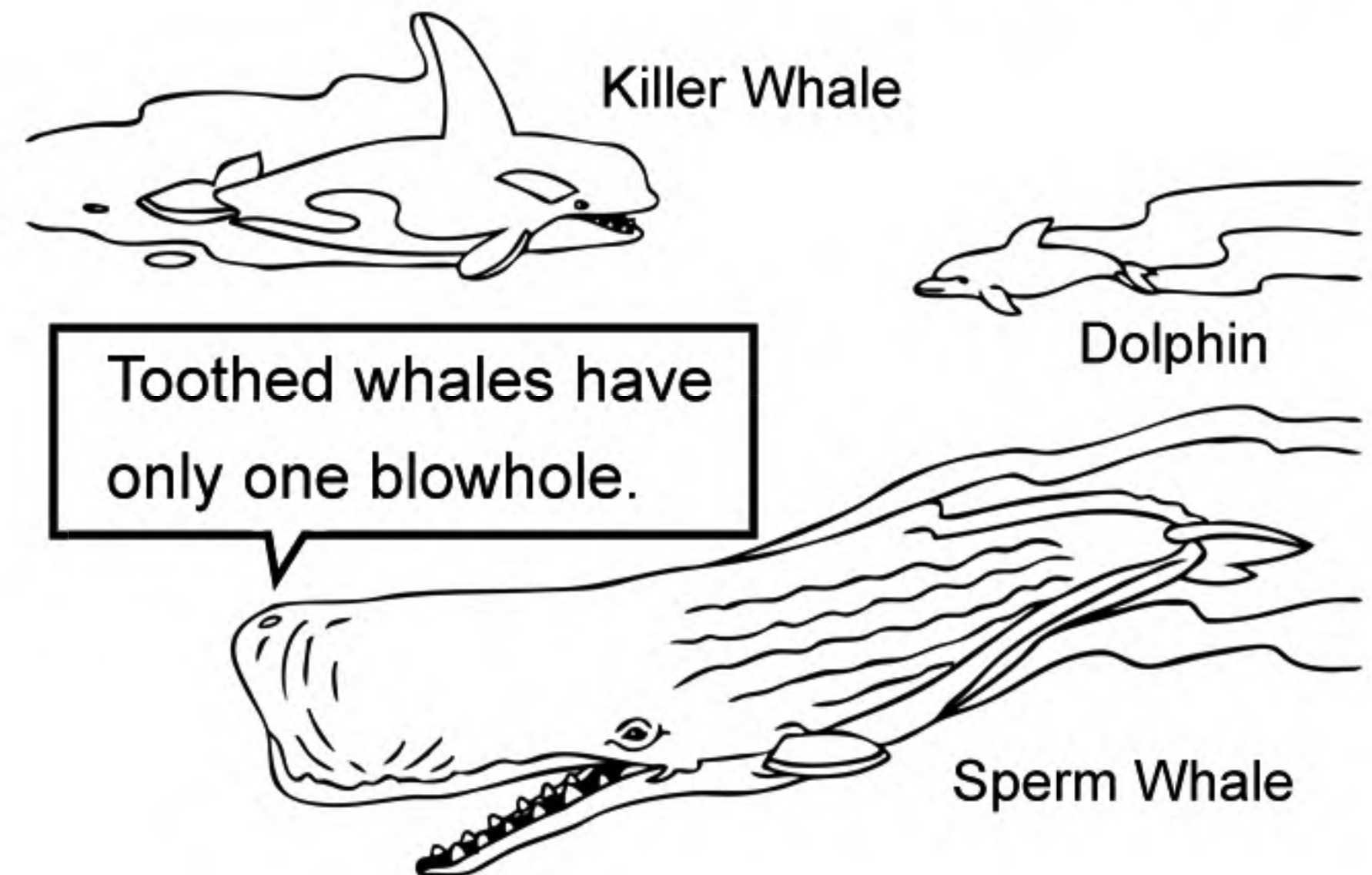
The blue whale is the largest animal on earth. It can grow to be over 100 feet long.

Baleen whales have to eat a lot of small fish and krill to get that big.

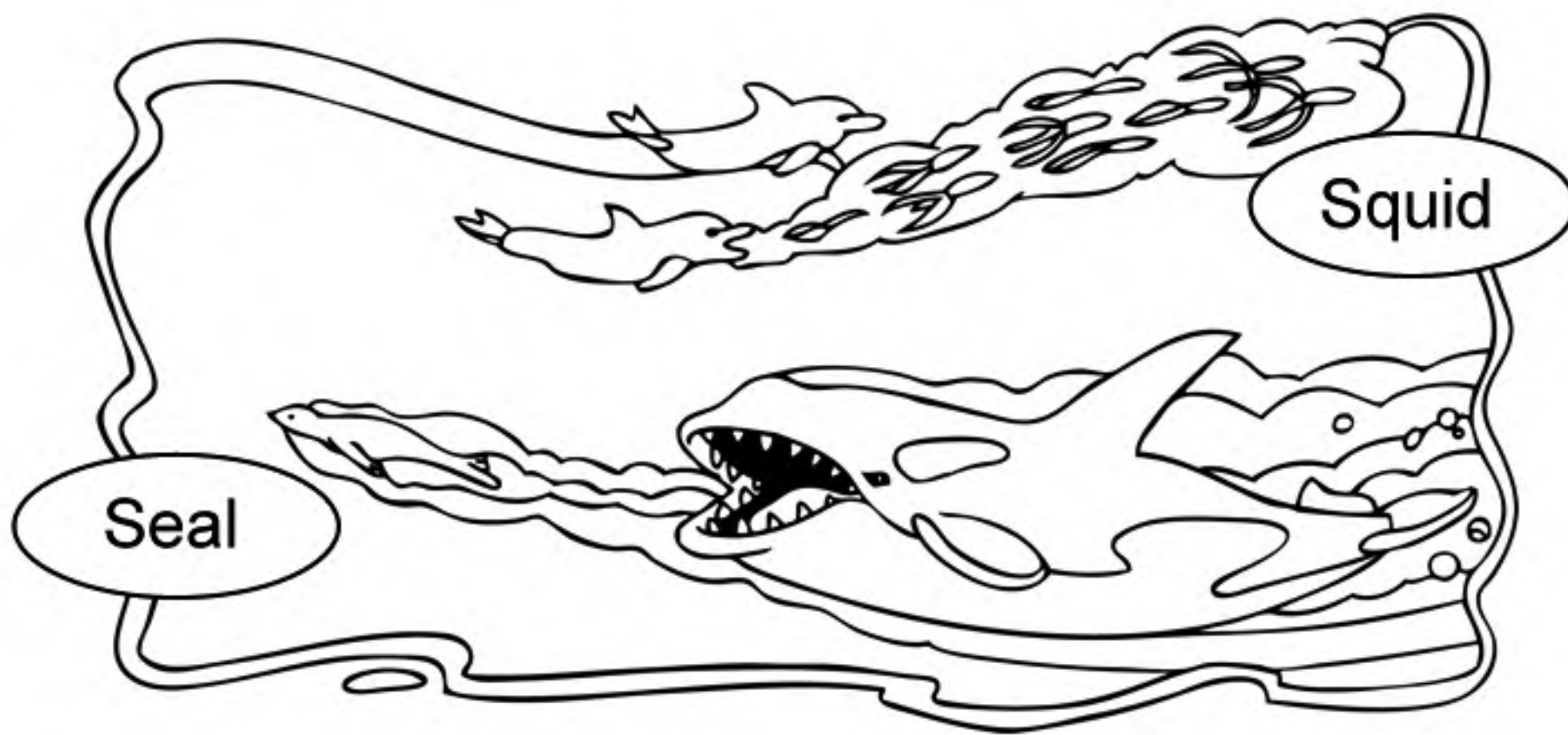


Toothed Whales

Killer whales, sperm whales and dolphins are names of some toothed whales. Most toothed whales are not as big as baleen whales. The largest toothed whale is the sperm whale. It can grow to be 60 feet long.



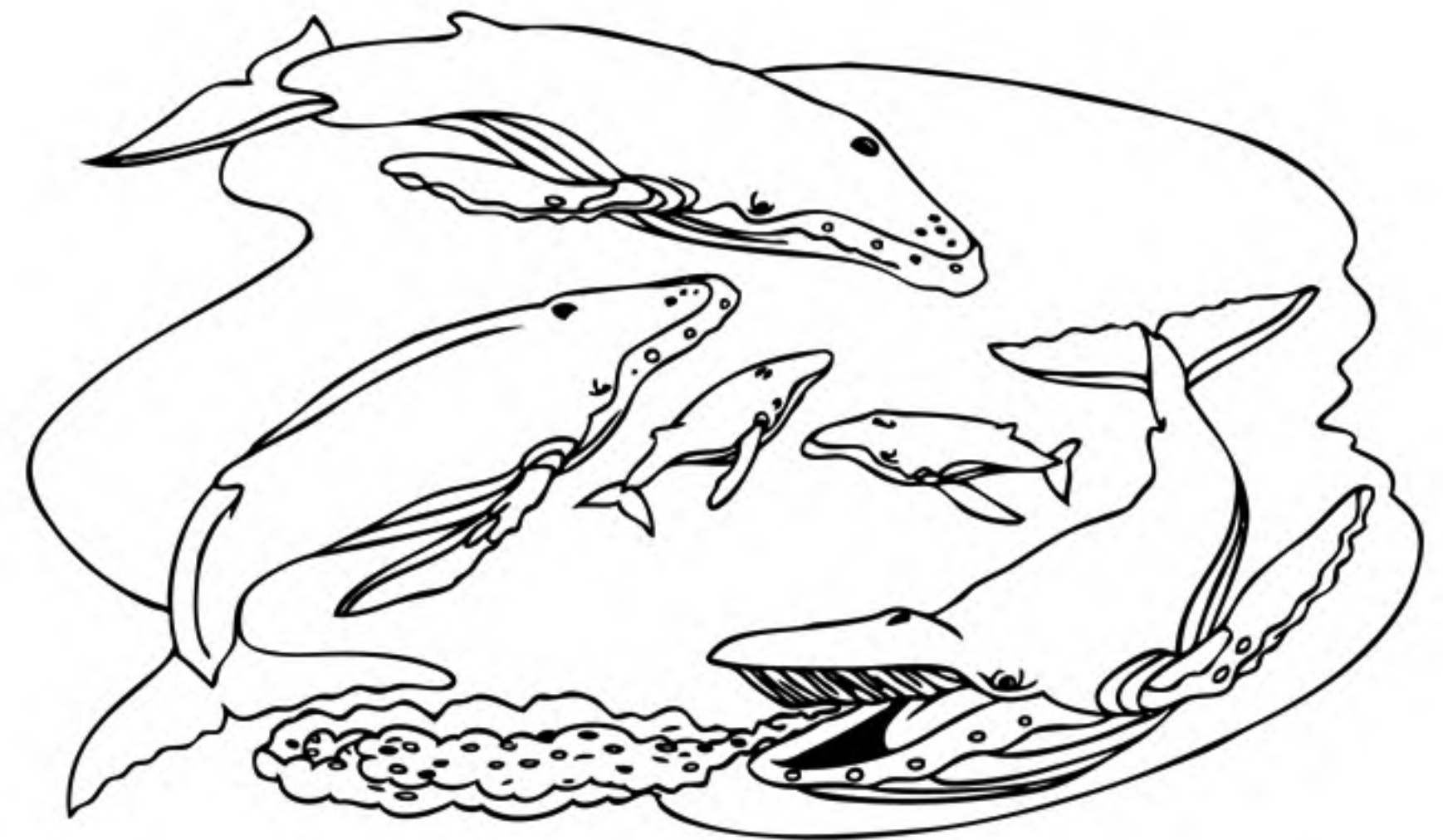
Toothed whales have teeth. Dolphins and sperm whales use their teeth to eat fish and squid.



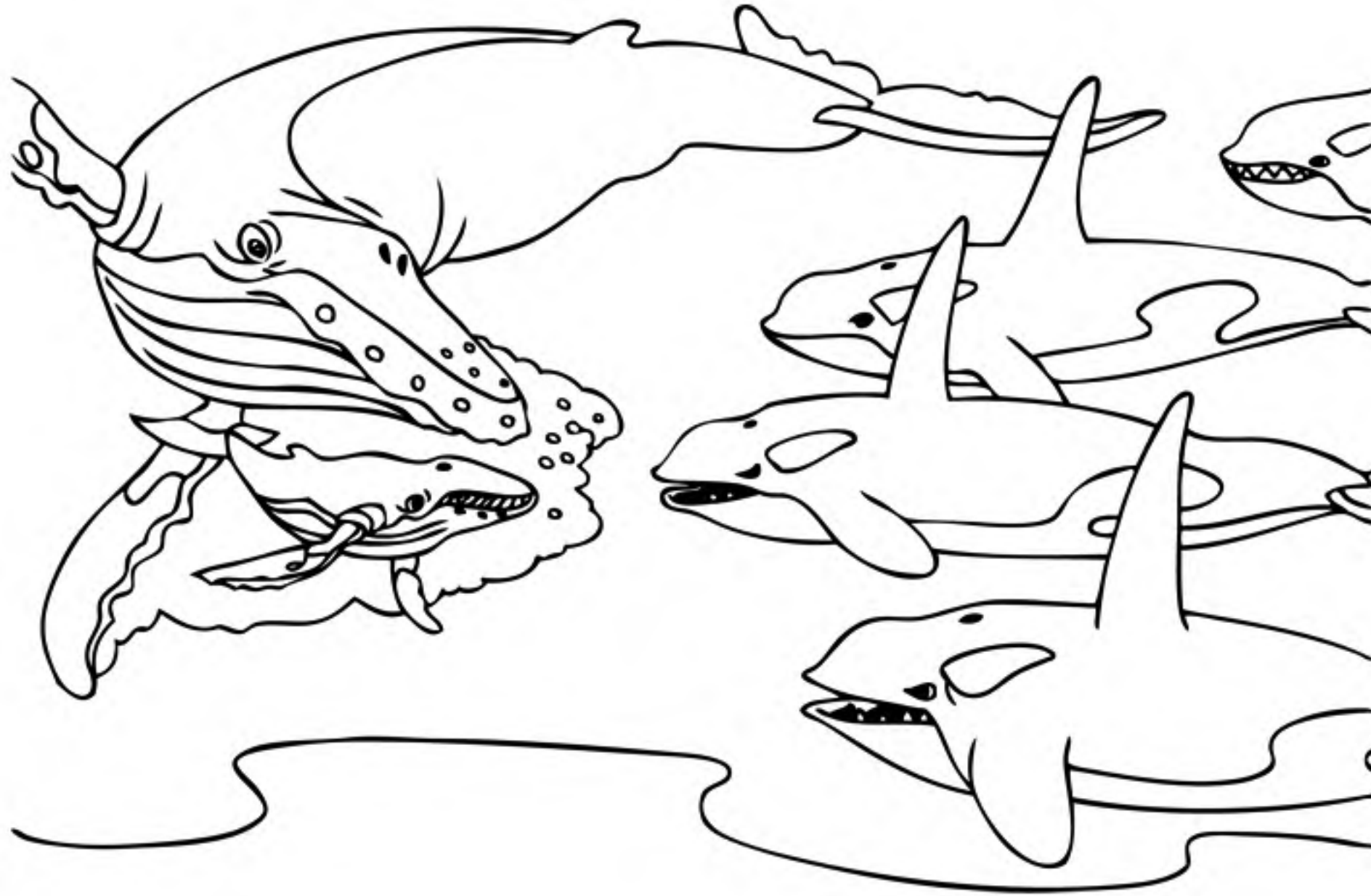
Killer whales eat fish and squid, too. But killer whales also hunt for large prey, such as sharks and mammals. They use their sharp teeth to grip and eat their prey.

Whale Pods

Baleen and toothed whales sometimes live in pods, or groups.



Baleen whales gather into pods to feed and protect their calves, or baby whales.



Toothed whales hunt for prey in their pods. Many more toothed whales live in pods than baleen whales. One toothed whale pod may have as many as 30 whales.

Toothed Whales

Dolphins
(6-12 feet)

Killer Whales
(20-30 feet)

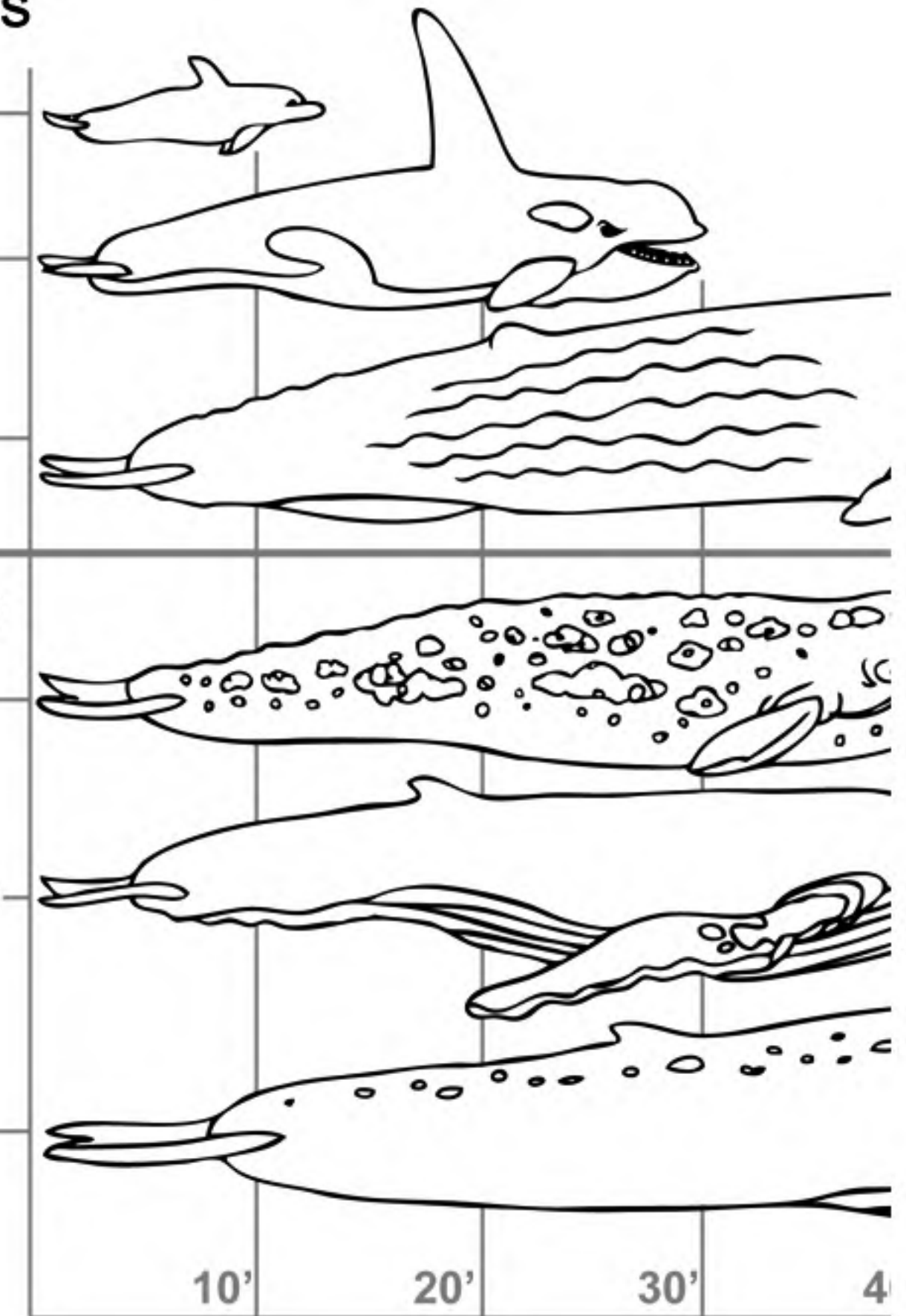
Sperm Whales
(45-60 feet)

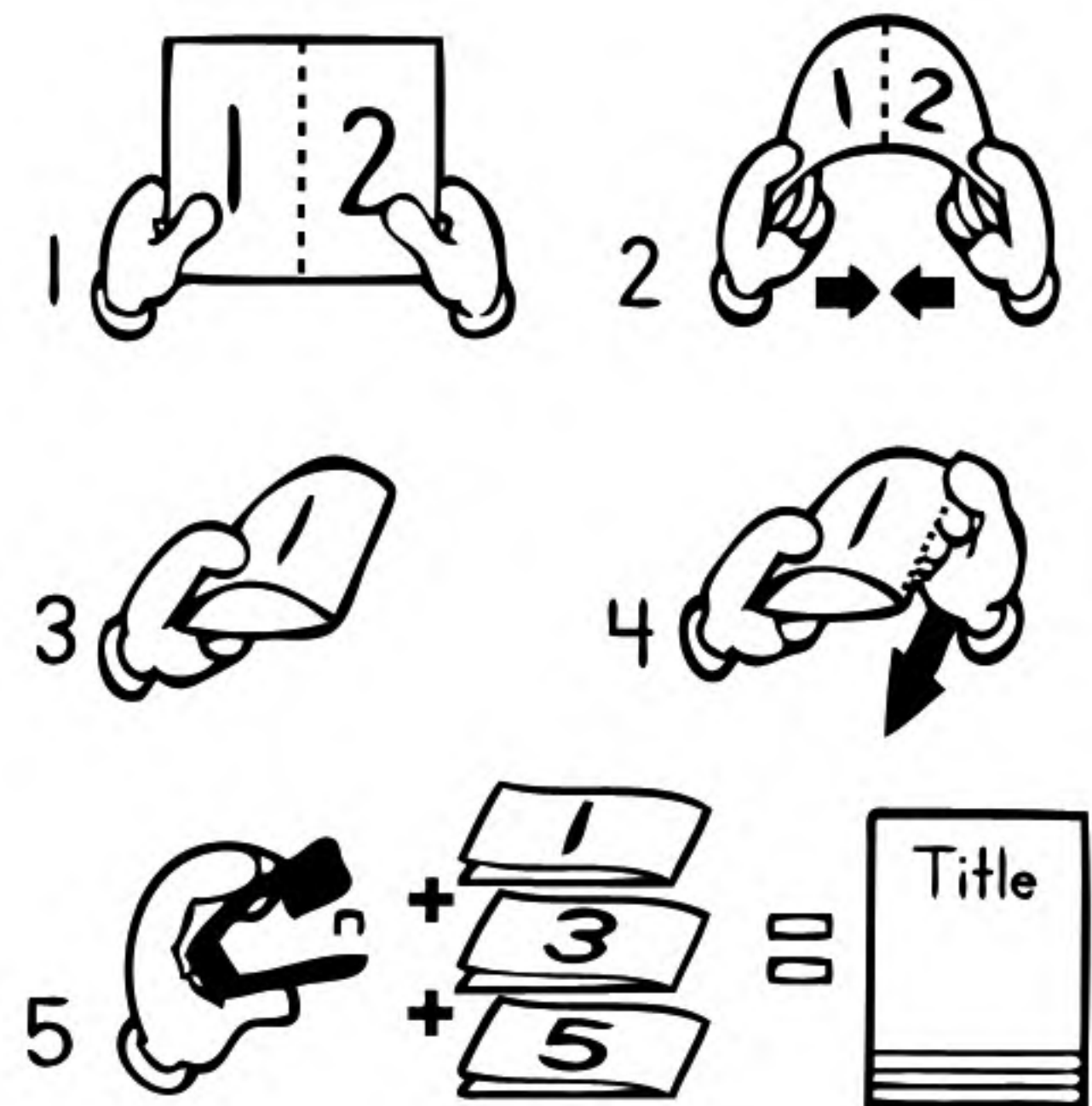
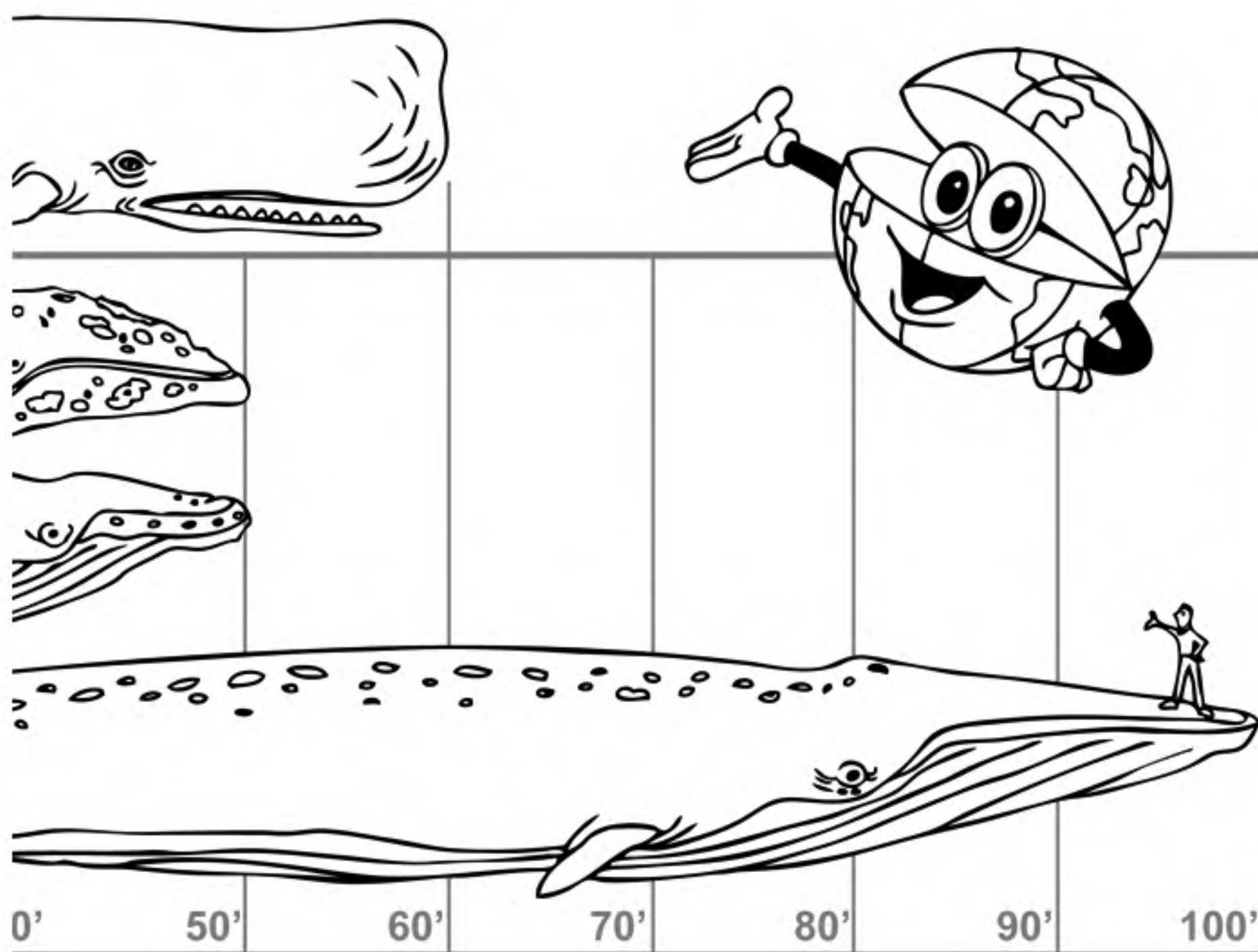
Baleen Whales

Gray Whales
(30-50 feet)

Humpback Whales
(35-50 feet)

Blue Whales
(70-100)





Vocabulary Words

mammals
baleen whales
toothed whales

blowhole
krill
breathe