Hey kids!

Show mum and dad this diagram! It will help them keep marine mammals safe when you are boating this summer!

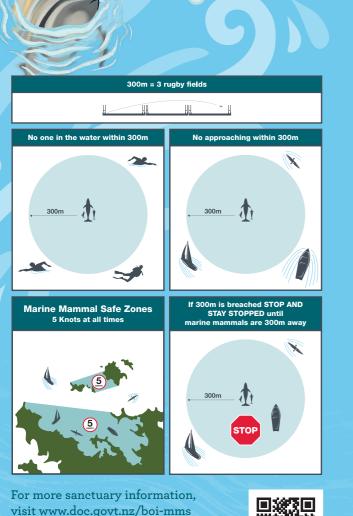
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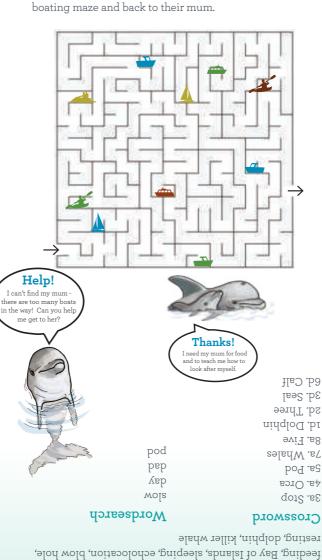


Answers

Whale Word Muddle

teeding, Bay of Islands, sleeping, echolocation, blow hole, bottlenose, calt, orca, NZ tur seal, bow wave, diving,





Marine mammal maze!

It's busy out there on the bay today! With so many

boats around, it's easy for young marine mammals to

be separated from their pod. Help this calf through the

Are we loving marine mammals

too much?

There are about **26** bottlenose dolphins visiting in the Bay of Islands

They stick quite close to the shore where they love to eat fish and squid. Babies (called calves) are born in spring and summer. They feed on mainly milk from their mothers for two to three years and stay close to mum until they are 6 six years old.

Bottlenose dolphins travel in groups called pods and talk to each other by squeaking and whistling. They can hold their breath for two or three minutes before coming up to the surface to breathe.

There are also around **33** other species of marine mammals who visit the bay, to feed, nurse and play. The Bay of Islands provides a diverse range of ecosystems for these marine mammals, and we can help make it safer for them.

One of the major threats to marine mammals is



Too many boats near marine mammals can stop them resting and feeding. It can be stressful for them - especially for mums looking after their young. We can help keep marine mammals safe by scanning for fins, staying away and when boating stopping.

And

can help by telling your family how they can help!

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Find a shady spot, kick off your jandals, and try and find all the words in our word search!

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Marine mammals in the cetacean family include whales and dolphins. They only live in the sea

Seals are special, we are marine mammals that also go on land.

Cetacean Crossword Across Down

- 3. What should you do, if you see marine mammals within 300m of your boat in the sanctuary?
- 4. These marine mammals are sometimes called killer whales
- 5. What is a group of marine mammals called?
- 7. Beside dolphins, and seals, what other group of marine mammals visit the Bay of Islands?
- 8. What speed (in knots) must you travel below, in a marine mammal safe zone?

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- most commonly in the Bay is the bottlenose
- 2. How many hundred meters must you stay away from any marine mammal?
- 3. What marine mammal sometimes sunbathes on rocks?
- 6. What is a baby cetacean called?

Whale Word Muddle

Marine mammals are not fish - they breathe air! But instead of breathing through their mouth, they use their blow-hole! This whale's breath has jumbled out words! Can you rearrange the letters into proper words?

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There are at least 4 more secret words hidden in this wordsearch. No clues though - how many can you find?

Be sure not to swim in marine mammals home - get out of the water if you see them!