

## Sharks – Glossary

**aggressive** adjective

behaving in an angry or rude way that shows you want to fight, attack, or argue with someone

**allergic** adjective

affected by an *allergy* (a medical condition in which you become sick or your skin becomes covered with red marks as a reaction to something you eat, breathe, or touch)  
*I'm allergic to nuts.*

**bee** noun [countable]

a flying insect that has black and yellow stripes and can sting you. Bees make honey, and bees that are not wild live in hives. The sound a bee makes is written as *buzz*.

**extinct** adjective

an extinct animal, plant, or language no longer exists

**fatal** adjective

causing someone to die  
*a fatal heart attack*

**fin** noun [countable]

a thin flat part on the body of a fish that sticks out

**gentle** adjective

kind and calm

**hitch** verb [intransitive/transitive]

INFORMAL (*hitchhike*) to travel by asking other people to take you in their car, by standing at the side of a road and holding out your thumb or a sign

**lightning** noun [uncountable]

the bright flashes of light that you see in the sky during a storm  
*Bob was struck by lightning while playing golf.*

**mistake for** phrasal verb [transitive]

to think that a person or thing is someone or something else  
*I had mistaken friendship for love.*

**nightmare** noun [countable]

a very frightening and unpleasant dream  
*I still have terrible nightmares about the crash.*

**plankton** noun [uncountable]

BIOLOGY very small animals and plants that live in water and are eaten by fish

**predator** noun [countable]

BIOLOGY an animal that kills and eats other animals

**prey** noun [uncountable]

an animal that is caught by another animal and eaten  
*Spiders usually catch their prey by building webs.*

**rare** adjective

not happening very often

**reputation** noun [countable/uncountable]

the opinion that people have about how good or how bad someone or something is

**resort** noun [countable]

a place that many people go to for a vacation

**responsible** adjective [never before noun]

if something or someone is responsible for a situation or event, they are the cause of it  
*He was responsible for the accident.*

**seal** noun [countable]

a large ocean animal that eats fish and lives mainly in cold parts of the world

**sting** noun [countable]

the pain that you feel when an insect, animal, or plant stings you, or the mark on your body where this happens  
*He had a nasty wasp sting on his leg.*

**terrifying** adjective

extremely frightening

**trapped** verb [transitive, usually passive]

to prevent someone from leaving a place, especially a dangerous place  
*Both men were trapped inside the burning car.*

**worldwide** adverb

happening or existing all over the world  
*Our company has 1,500 employees worldwide.*