

SHARK TEETH

- Sharks can have up to 3,000 teeth at one time
- Shape and size of teeth vary depending on the type of shark
- Their teeth aren't able to chew food, but are made to tear it into mouth-sized pieces
- Sharks can continuously grow replacement teeth



NEEDLE-LIKE TEETH

Are typically found in sharks whose diet consists of small to medium sized fish or smaller sharks. They're particularly effective at gripping onto agile and slippery fish.

Ex: Bull Shark



SERRATED WEDGE-LIKE TEETH

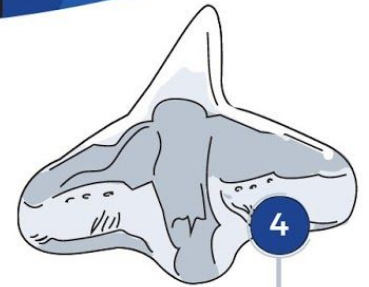
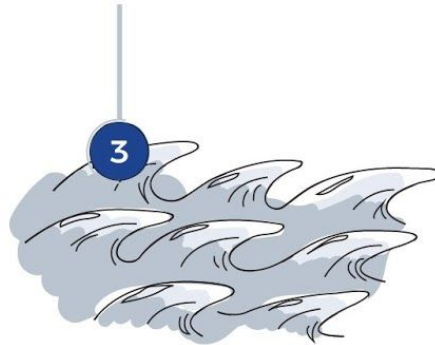
Are found in large species that feed on larger prey and are effective at cutting off chunks of flesh for easy swallowing.

Ex: Tiger Sharks, Great White Sharks, Oceanic Whitetip Shark

TEETH WITH NO PURPOSE

Are found in plankton feeders who use their gills to filter feed.

Ex: Basking Sharks and Whale Sharks



DENSE PLATE-LIKE TEETH

Are used to crush the shells of prey from crustaceans and bivalves.

Ex: Zebra Horn Shark and Angel Shark