



Orcas

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Discuss

Talk through your thoughts.

- **Before reading:** look at the cover, table of contents, and glossary. Do you already know something about orcas? Talk with a friend or grownup about what you are most excited to learn about.
- **After reading:** share two new facts that you found most interesting about orcas with a friend.

Create

Make an experience of your own.

- Even though we live in different environments, humans and orcas have several things in common. Make a Venn-diagram showing how humans and orcas are similar and different.
- The book tells readers that orcas make noise and that each pod's sound is different so the orcas can hear it from far away. The relationship between parents and children is like this. Think about a time when you heard one of your parents from farther away. How did that make you feel? Write down your thoughts or tell a friend.

Imagine

Use your imagination to explore.

- Imagine you went whale watching for orcas. What are some key things you would look for to help you spot them?
- Explore at the library. Can you find a fiction book with an orca as a character? Is what you learned from this book similar to what you found in the fiction story?

Imaginando

Discutiendo. Creando. Explorando.

- Haz un dibujo o actua tu parte favorita del libro.
- Comenta con alguien los ideas principales del libro.
- Crea un juego de palabras correspondientes con palabras del libro.
- Practica leyendo el libro con diferentes voces (bajo, alto, chistoso, lentamente, en una cancion).
- Escribe una carta a un personaje de un libro o escríbele al autor.
- Visita tu biblioteca publica y hazte socio de un club de lectura.