

## **Dolphin Talk**

**Directions**: Read the nonfiction passage carefully. Answer the questions that follow. **Highlight or underline** the sentence(s) in the passage that prove your answer. Remember: Good readers always show **evidence** from the text to support their ideas.

## **Dolphins Talking Without Words**

Dolphins are very social animals that use many ways to communicate. They make clicking sounds to find objects in the water and to talk with each other. Dolphins also whistle, and each one has a special whistle like a name that identifies them.

Besides sounds, dolphins use body language. They slap their tails on the water to warn others of danger. Sometimes they leap high into the air, which may show excitement or help send messages across the group. Researchers study these behaviors to learn more about dolphin "conversations."

What sound do dolphins make that works like a name?
2. How do dolphins warn each other of danger?
3. What is one reason dolphins leap out of the water?
4. What do scientists do to understand dolphin communication better?

