

Dolphin Talk Answer Key

Highlighted/Text Evidence Sentences:

1. **Answer:** Dolphins whistle, and each has a special whistle like a name.
Evidence: "Dolphins also whistle, and each one has a special whistle like a name that identifies them."
2. **Answer:** Dolphins slap their tails on the water to warn others of danger.
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3. **Answer:** Dolphins may leap out of the water to show excitement or send messages.
Evidence: "Sometimes they leap high into the air, which may show excitement or help send messages across the group."
4. **Answer:** Scientists study dolphin behaviors to learn more about communication.
Evidence: "Researchers study these behaviors to learn more about dolphin 'conversations.'"

Teacher Guide/Notes:

- This worksheet trains Grade 4 students to **cite evidence directly** from nonfiction texts.
- Encourage students to use quotation marks when copying exact sentences as proof.
- Accept paraphrased answers if paired with the correct highlighted text.
- Extension idea: Provide a longer article about animals and have students write their own **evidence-based questions** for a partner to answer.