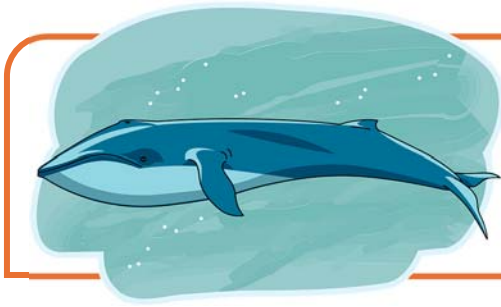


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Indian Ocean Clues

Directions: Fill in each blank using what you know about the Indian Ocean. Use context clues from each sentence to guide your answers.

1. The Indian Ocean is known for being the **warmest** major ocean, which helps create strong _____ that bring seasonal rain.
2. A major current in the Indian Ocean changes direction based on the seasons. This is called a _____ current.
3. Many countries around the Indian Ocean depend on its climate patterns to support _____ during rainy months.
4. The Indian Ocean touches the continents of Africa, Asia, and _____.
5. One of the most famous ecosystems in this ocean is the bright and colorful _____ reefs.
6. Warmer waters in the Indian Ocean allow large animals like _____ sharks to thrive.
7. Rising _____ levels are a modern challenge that affects coastlines and marine habitats in the Indian Ocean.
8. Trade has been active in the Indian Ocean for thousands of years because its waters connect many important _____.
9. The Indian Ocean's warm temperatures help guide strong winds that are known as _____ winds.
10. Pollution in the Indian Ocean can harm fish, reefs, and local _____ who depend on the water for food and work.