



## Marine Mammal Monday: Marine Mammals of San Francisco Bay

1. List the marine mammals found in the San Francisco Bay Area.



2. Find the bolded words in the word search on reasons The Marine Mammal Center rescues California sea lions and harbor seals and ways you can help!



D F Q Y K C J E O F L M  
 B I W H T O L F A I A P  
 V X C R X B J J N L N Y  
 V O N A A P E X N H R V  
 Y F S S C W F U O N E G  
 U U U D N I T R G U T X  
 U E L T I R O W N A A S  
 R T G Z I K T M Z U M E  
 J M H T Y K X A O E V J  
 Q M I O M J F B J D A P  
 D O P L A S T I C Q U Y  
 N E L B A N I A T S U S

- Malnutrition**
- Maternal** separation
- Domoic acid** toxicosis
  
- Switch out single use **plastic** for **reusable** water bottles, bags, utensils, etc.
- Eat **sustainable** seafood





3. Both harbor porpoises and bottlenose dolphins are found in the San Francisco Bay. Draw how the three different characteristics listed on the left differ between the two species.

|                  | Harbor Porpoise   | Bottlenose Dolphin  |
|------------------|---|---|
| Dorsal fin shape |  |  |
| “Beak” shape     |   |   |
| Tooth shape      |   |   |

4. True/False: Answer the following statements by circling if it is true or false.

A. *Humpback whales live in every ocean.*

True

False

B. *Humpback whales use their baleen to chew and swallow large fish.*

True

False



## Marine Mammal Monday Bonus Page

There are over 100 different marine mammals around the world. What marine mammals live near you or an area you are interested in? Using a laptop, table, smart phone, or species guide, do some research on a species of your choosing.

**A. Choose your location**

*San Francisco Bay, California*

**B. Choose a marine mammal found in that location**

*Harbor seal*

**C. Does this species face any threats within its range? How can you get involved to help?**

*Sometimes harbor seal pups and mothers become separated due to disturbances by people on beaches. To help, I can keep a safe distance between myself and wildlife and call The Marine Mammal Center at (415) 289-SEAL if I see a seal in distress.*

**Your turn!**

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