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Scientists say dolphins have a seventh sense

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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We have five senses. Some people may have six. A sixth sense could be knowing something without using the senses of sight, hearing, smell, touch and taste. Researchers have found that some dolphins have seven senses. Dolphins can sense electricity from the heart beats of sea creatures. This could help dolphins to find food. It could also help them to navigate by using electricity from Earth's magnetic field.

Researchers tested what kinds of electricity dolphins could sense. They sensed two kinds. They were better at sensing direct current electricity. All sea creatures produce this. Being able to sense this helps dolphins to know how near other fish are to them. Dolphins could use this to hunt, even if they cannot see or hear well. Sometimes the water is cloudy, so they cannot use their other senses.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Some people may | a. beats |
| 2. A sixth | b. and taste |
| 3. hearing, smell, touch | c. field |
| 4. heart | d. sense |
| 5. sea | e. using electricity |
| 6. This could help dolphins | f. creatures |
| 7. help them to navigate by | g. to find food |
| 8. Earth's magnetic | h. have six |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. what kinds of electricity | a. is cloudy |
| 2. sea | b. fish are |
| 3. Being able | c. creatures |
| 4. how near other | d. other senses |
| 5. Dolphins could use | e. dolphins could sense |
| 6. they cannot see or | f. this to hunt |
| 7. Sometimes the water | g. hear well |
| 8. they cannot use their | h. to sense this |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2312/231207-dolphins-seventh-sense-1.html>

We (1) _____. Some people may have six. A sixth sense (2) _____ something without using the senses of sight, hearing, (3) _____ taste. Researchers have found that some dolphins have seven senses. Dolphins can sense electricity from (4) _____ of sea creatures. This could help dolphins (5) _____. It could also help them to (6) _____ electricity from Earth's magnetic field.

Researchers (7) _____ of electricity dolphins could sense. They (8) _____. They were better at sensing direct current electricity. (9) _____ produce this. Being able to (10) _____ dolphins to know how near other fish are to them. Dolphins could use (11) _____, even if they cannot see or hear well. Sometimes the (12) _____, so they cannot use their other senses.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SENSES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2312/231207-dolphins-seventh-sense-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about senses in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

