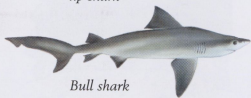


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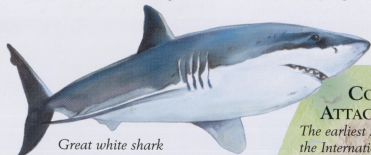
If you see these jaws headed your way, you had better hope it's a nightmare and not real!



Oceanic white tip shark



Bull shark



Great white shark



Tiger shark

Of the 400 or so known species of shark, only 30 have been known to attack humans. And only the great white, bull, tiger and oceanic white tip sharks are regularly responsible for attacks on humans.

Surrounded by Sharks

Every year, humans kill about 100 million sharks. On the other hand, sharks attack about 50 to 75 people each year, and only 5 to 10 of these attacks results in death. But for those people who are fatally attacked by sharks, it is a terrifying way to die.

CONFIRMED SHARK ATTACKS 1580 – 2001

The earliest shark attack recorded in the International Shark Attack File happened in 1580.

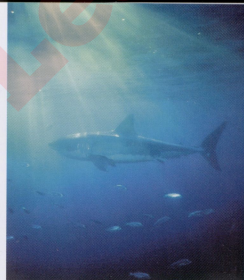
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For 900 sailors who survived the sinking of the *USS Indianapolis* in 1945, this terror became real in the deep waters of the Pacific Ocean. The ship had sunk just after midnight and at sunrise the attacks began. The men clung together in groups in their life vests, hitting at the water and kicking their feet to try to repel the sharks. By the time help arrived, nearly 5 days later, only 317 had survived. Even as the men were being pulled from the sea, sharks continued to circle and strike.



Sharks can detect tiny amounts of blood in the water, and movement in the murkiest of water.

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Number of attacks
Number of deaths