On an expedition to the Bahamas, Jonathan encounters dozens of Lemon sharks while trying to film a Tiger shark. But finally a Tiger shark arrives and you won’t believe the incredible encounter Jonathan has with this enormous, hungry animal.

Objectives

1. Introduces viewers to two species of sharks and their physical differences.
2. Illustrates that sharks do not eat divers, but are curious.
3. Demonstrates that sharks are not generally aggressive towards divers.

Discussion for after watching the program

1. How can you tell a Lemon shark from a Tiger shark? Name some physical attributes of each.
2. How do Lemon sharks get their name? What about Tiger sharks?
3. Tiger sharks are said to be nocturnal. What does that mean? What is the opposite of nocturnal?
4. Why are the sharks interested in Jonathan’s camera lights?
5. Why are the sharks around the boat? (Hint, it’s not because they want to eat the divers!)
6. Jonathan jumped into the water with over 30 Lemon sharks and a large Tiger shark and didn’t get attacked. What does this say about sharks?

Questions for before watching the program

1. How do Tiger sharks get their name? What habitat do they inhabit? Are they dangerous?
2. How do Lemon sharks get their name?
3. What would happen if a diver jumped into a huge school of sharks?

For more shark info: Watch Sharks: Predators with a Purpose here:
http://www.oceanicresearch.org/education/films/predators.html

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