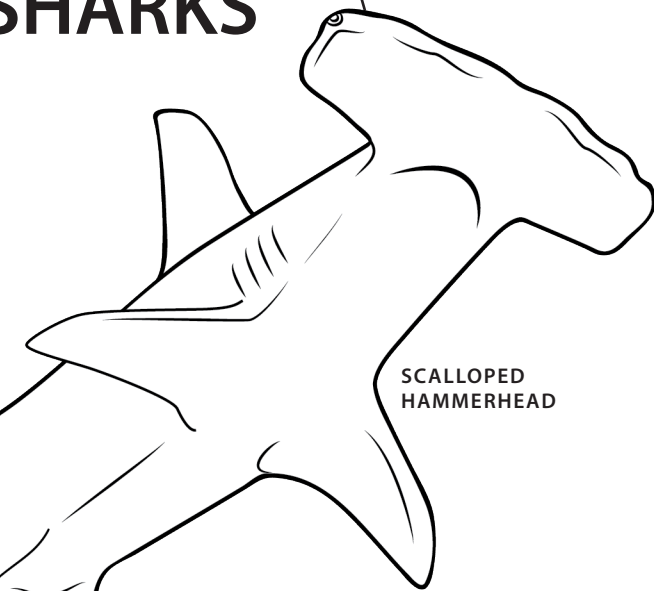
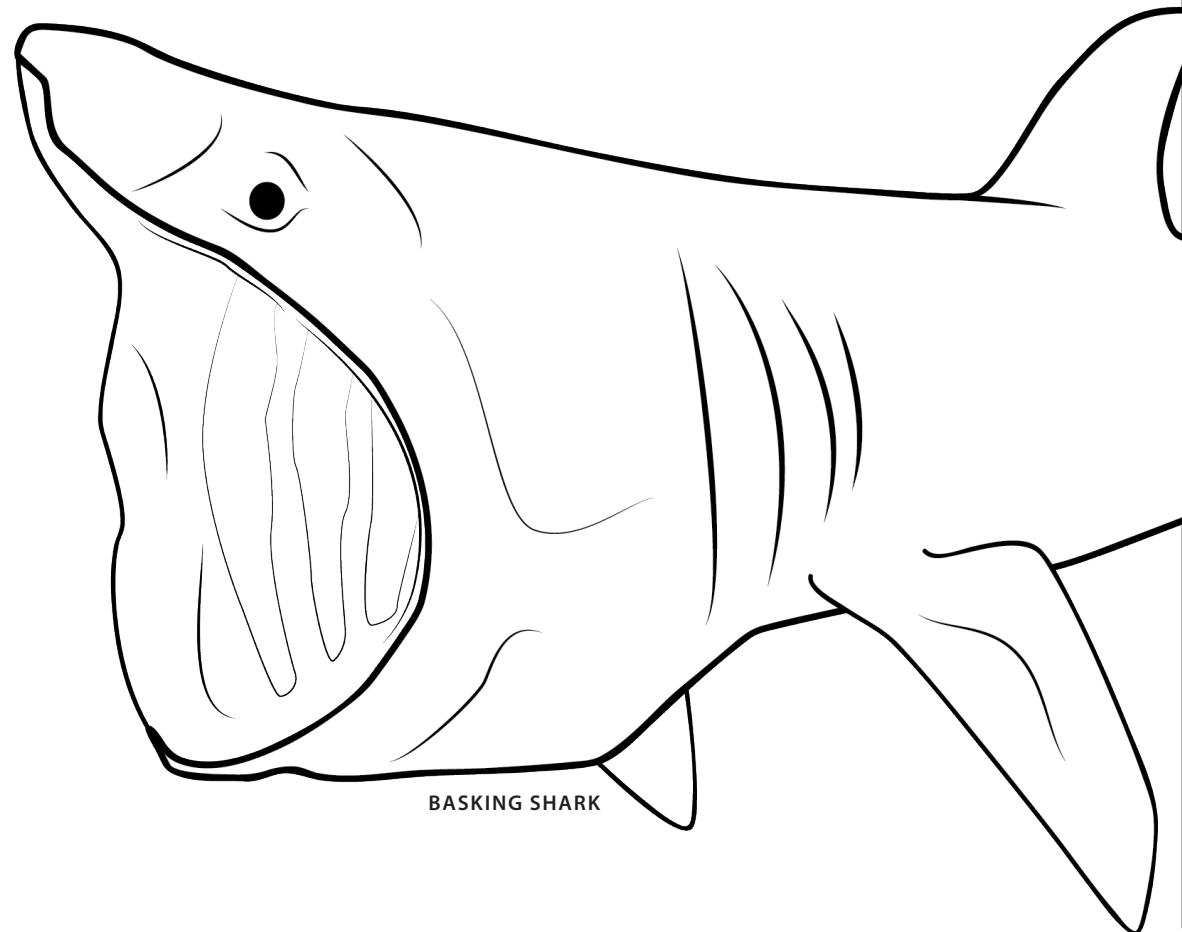
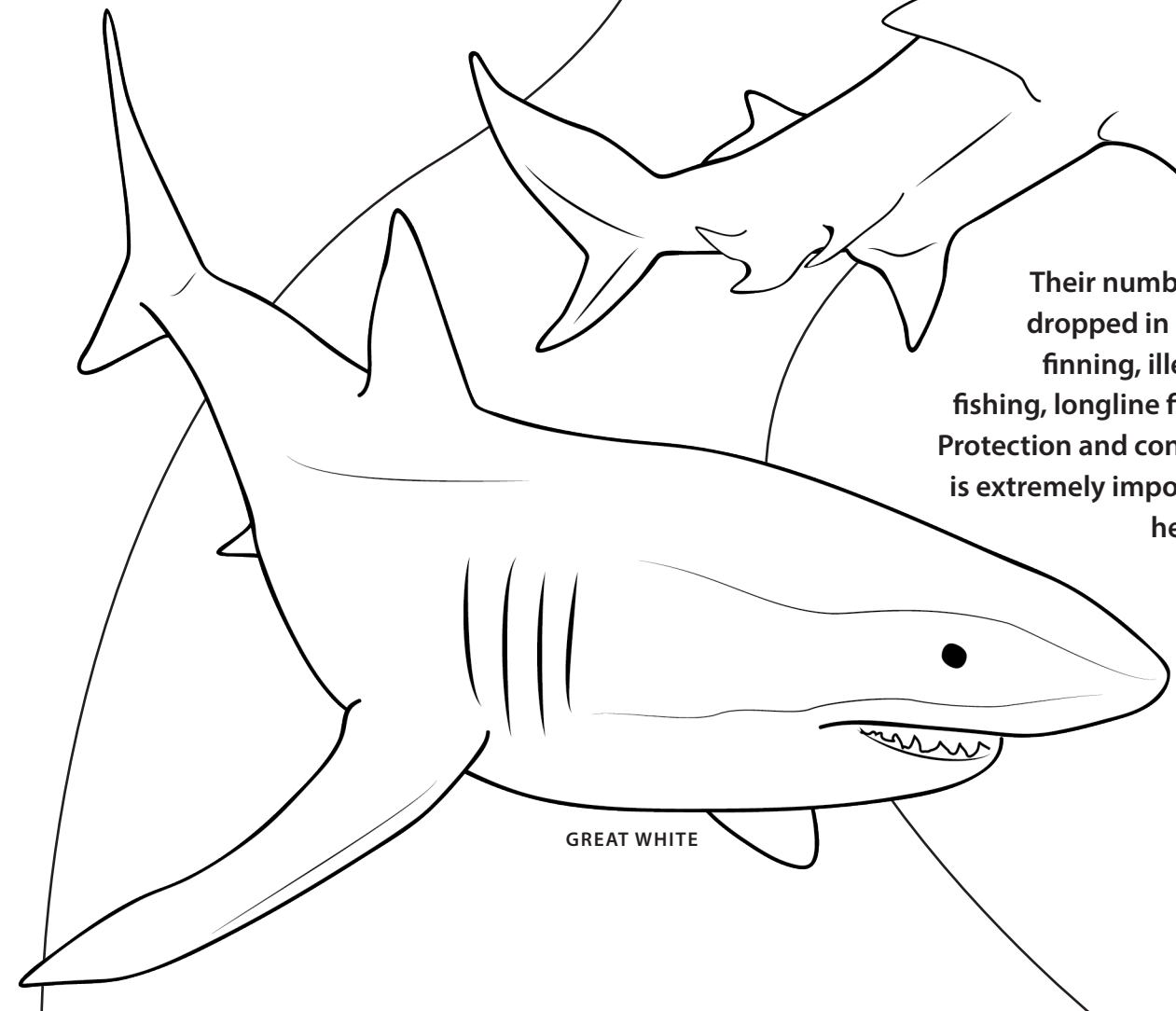


THE IMPORTANCE OF SHARKS

Sharks, an apex predator of the ocean, have been alive for more than four hundred million years! They play a crucial roll in our aquatic ecosystem keeping a balanced equilibrium. Classified as Chondrichthyes, there are about 400 species of sharks.



Their numbers have drastically dropped in recent times due to finning, illegal poaching, over fishing, longline fishing and bycatch. Protection and conservation of sharks is extremely important as our oceans health depends on it!



ANSWER KEY

- 1 Caudal Fin
- 2 Lower Lobe
- 3 Precaudal Pit
- 4 Second Dorsal Fin
- 5 First Dorsal Fin
- 6 Spiracle
- 7 Eye
- 8 Nostril
- 9 Snout
- 10 Mouth
- 11 Gills
- 12 Pectoral Fin
- 13 Pelvic Fin
- 14 Anal Fin
- 15 Caudal Keel

BASKING SHARK

GREAT WHITE