Lesson 1: Whale Words: Answers

Carefully cut out the green words and blue sentences. Then, match the green words below with the descriptions (the blue sentences).

Students will learn a wide range of whale-themed words. Students can do this alone or in small groups.

Baleen This hangs from the whale's top jaw, and uses it to filter feed small animals from the water	Pectoral fin The fins on the animal's side, which it uses to steer	Blubber A thick layer of fat all around the body which helps to keep the whale warm
Dorsal fin The fin on a whale's back	Lunge feeding When a whale is feeding on the water surface and it takes a huge gulp of food filled water	Tail flukeThe whale moves thisup and down to help itmove quickly throughthe water
Rorqual pleats Baleen whales have these groves that run from the chin to the bellybutton. They allow the whale's throat to expand during filter feeding	Blowhole The whale's nostrils, which are on top of its head	Logging A behaviour where the whale rests on the surface of the water
Breaching When the whale jumps out of the water and creates a huge splash!	Rostrum The upper jaw of a whale	Calf The name for a baby whale
Carnivore Whales only eat other animals. What is the name for this?	Spyhopping A behaviour where the whale sticks its head out of the water and has a look around	Pod A group of whales is called a…

