

Some animals **travel** long distances for their **migration**.

Migration is a word used to describe the **seasonal** movement of an animal from one place to another. Some animals will travel **long** distances, and some will travel short distances.

Lots of animals migrate, including **birds**, butterflies, land mammals and sea mammals!

Animals migrate to find **food**, to find a **mate**, and to breed and have their **young**.

Out of all cetaceans (the word meaning, **whales**, **dolphins** and **porpoises**) it is mainly the **baleen** whales that migrate, for example the blue whale, **humpback** whale and gray whale.

Whales migrate from warm, tropical waters (**low** latitudes) to cold waters near the North or South Pole (high latitudes). This is **thousands** of kilometres!

In **high** latitudes, there is lots of **krill** for the whales to eat, but in low latitudes the waters are warmer, meaning they are better for bringing up their **calves** (their babies) and they also meet in these warm waters to breed.

Porpoises	Travel	High
Food	Young	Thousands
Humpback	Calves	Whales
Low	Dolphins	Birds
Krill	Baleen	Mate
Seasonal	Migration	Long



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