

# WEDDELL SEA EXPEDITION 2019

## Who's eating who?

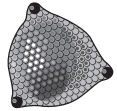
### ANSWERS

Can you complete the Antarctica food web by putting the creatures in the correct places?

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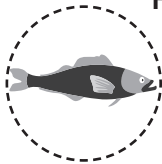
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**Phytoplankton** are at the bottom of the chain. We've put them in already to start you off!



**Antarctic Krill** these small shrimp-like crustaceans feed on the phytoplankton.



**Fish** most of the species of fish in Antarctica feed on krill, and are eaten by penguins, seals, sea birds and squid.



**Squid** there are 18 different species in Antarctic waters. They feed on small fish and krill, and are eaten by whales, seals and sea birds.



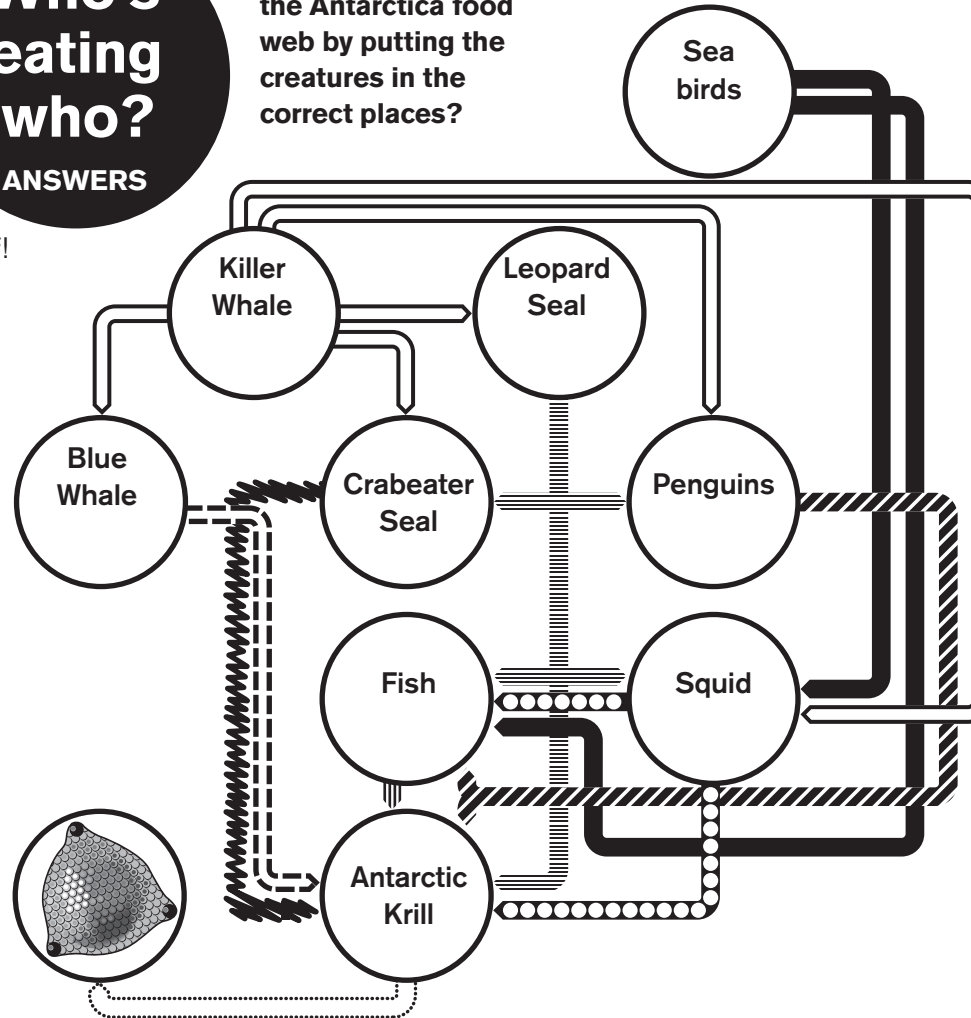
**Sea birds** sea birds, such as albatross and petrels, are scavengers in the sky. They swoop down to catch fish or squid near the water's surface.



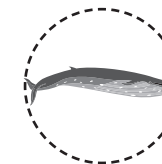
**Penguins** there are six species of penguin in Antarctica. They feed on fish and krill, but are a favourite food for killer whales and seals.



**Leopard Seal** one of the six species of seal in Antarctica, leopard seals usually hunt alone, feeding on penguins, young crabeater seals, fish, squid and krill.



**Crabeater Seal** they feed on Antarctic krill (not crabs!), and collectively may even eat more krill than blue whales. Crabeater seals are a tasty meal for Leopard Seals when they are young, and killer whales are a danger no matter how old they are.



**Blue Whale** they feed on a lot of krill – up to 3 tonnes in a single meal! Their only potential danger is the killer whale.



**Killer Whale** travelling in family 'pods', killer whales feed on seals, penguins and fish near the water's surface. Occasionally they hunt other types of whale.