

Great White Words

What can feel almost as scary as the great white shark from Peter Benchley's story? All the new words Benchley uses to describe the encounter! But don't be afraid! In this activity, you will use the dictionary and your very own brain to match the words below to their definitions.

Directions: Match the words on the left to the definitions on the right.
Then choose four of the words and write a sentence using each.

nauseated	slowly and steadily
taut	back end of a boat
deliberately	struck or ground together
stark	behavior that is natural and not learned
propelling	sick to your stomach
stern	well-known for something bad
notorious	pushing forward
gnashed	cut apart
instinct	extreme or complete
sever	stretched tight

Sentence 1: _____

Sentence 2: _____

Sentence 3: _____

Sentence 4: _____
