

Information sheet:

The seal

We are great swimmers, but we also like to take a break on the sandbanks. Do you know what sandbanks are? They are areas in the North Sea that are not under water.

My body is streamlined and because of my thick fur coat and a grease film I am well protected from the cold.

Mainly I catch fish and I can dive under water for a long time even though I have lungs and not gills.

My cubs are born on the sandbank between June and July after 11 months pregnancy. Shortly after birth they can already swim!

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The seal

The seal is a very good _____.

Its _____ is streamlined and because of its thick and short _____ it is well protected from the cold.

When it is not swimming is taking a break on the _____.

It mainly eats _____.

The cubs are born between _____ and _____.

More questions regarding the information sheet.

What are the areas in the North Sea called where the seals like to take a break?

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Do seals have gills?

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How long is a seal pregnant?

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