



## Test your knowledge about NOAA's NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES

**So .... What do you know? Take this quiz and see how sea-and-sky saavy you are.**  
(There may be more than one right answer to some of these questions!)

1. What is a national marine sanctuary?
  - a) A body of water where you cannot fish or remove tide pool life
  - b) Waters where you can fish recreationally, but not commercially
  - c) A body of water that is protected against oil exploration and development
  - d) All of the above
2. What waters make up the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary?
  - a) All the waters inside the Golden Gate (San Francisco, San Pablo and Suisun Bay)
  - b) Ocean waters beyond the Golden Gate, and Marin County lagoons and esteros
  - c) Ocean waters three miles around the Farallon Islands
  - d) All of the above
3. What wildlife is found regularly in the Farallones Marine Sanctuary?
  - a) Manatees and alligators
  - b) Right whales and striped dolphins
  - c) Endangered blue and humpback whales, and a quarter-million nesting seabirds
4. When a killer whale and a white shark encountered each other at the Farallones, the result was:
  - a) The white shark won the fight
  - b) The killer whale won
  - c) Neither; they circled each other, then each backed down
  - d) We don't know!
5. What Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS) lie within the Farallones Sanctuary?
  - a) Farallon Islands, Double Point, Duxbury Reef, Bird Rock, Pt. Reyes Headlands
  - b) San Pedro Rock, Hurricane Rock and Limantour spit
  - c) Duxbury Reef, Double Point and Pt. Reyes Headlands
  - d) All of the above

*NOTE. Aircraft must maintain a minimum altitude of 1,000 feet within one nautical mile of an ASBS.*



**WHITE SHARKS** come to the Farallones to hunt for fat elephant seals each fall when the seals haul out on the Farallon islands for their annual molt. The Gulf of the Farallones has one of the most important white shark populations on the planet, since all are breeding age adults, and are important to ensure the continuation of their species. White sharks help maintain the balance of marine life in our ocean waters. Farallones white sharks have been radio tracked as far away as Hawaii!

### Other Cool Farallones Factoids:

- California waters, including the Gulf of the Farallones, support the largest remaining population of endangered blue whales on the planet.
- Albatross fly nearly 7,000 miles round trip from Midway Island in NW Hawaii to the Cordell Bank and Farallones sanctuaries to fish and bring back food for their chicks on the nest. It's a 3-4 week journey.



ANSWERS:

Marine Sanctuary Answers: 1 C; 2 B; 3 A 4 B; 5 A