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Greatest Mystery of Whales The whale is a mammal warm-blooded, air-breathing, giving birth to its young alive¹, sucking them and, like all mammals, originated on land. There are many signs of this.

___D_1___ from flippers, used for steering and stability, are traces of feet. Immense strength is built into the great body of the big whales, and in fact most of a whale's body is one gigantic muscle. The blue whale's pulling ___A_2___ has been estimated at 400 horsepower. One specimen was reported to have ___C_3___ a whaling vessel for seven hours at the ___B_4___ of eight knots. An enraged whale will attack a ship. A famous ___C_5___ of this was the fate of whaler Essex, which was sunk ___6___A_ South America early in the last century. More recently, steel ships have had their plates buckled² in the same way. Sperm whales were known to ___B_7___ the old-time whaleboats in their jaws and crush them. The greatest mystery of whales is their diving ability. The sperm whale can ___8___C_ the bottom for his favourite food, the octopus. ___A_9___ he is known to go as far down as 3,200 feet, where the pressure is 1,400 pounds, to the square inch. Doing ___10___A_ he will remain submerged as long as one hour. Two feats are involved in this: storing up enough ___B_11___ (all whales are air-breathed) and withstanding the great change in pressure. Just ___C_12___ he does it scientists have not determined.

It is believed that some of the oxygen is stored in a special system of blood vessels, rather than just held³ in the lungs. And A ¹³ that a special kind of oil in his head is some sort of compensating mechanism that automatically adjusts the internal pressure of his body. But C ¹⁴ you can ' t bring a live whale⁴ into the laboratory for study, no one B ¹⁵ just how these things work.

1. A) Their B) His C) Theirs D) Its
2. A) strength B) width C) height D) length
3. A) eaten B) crashed C) towed D) lifted
4. A) distance B) rate C) voyage D) sail
5. A) picture B) film C) example D) book
6. A) off the coast of B) of the coast of C) away the coast of D) in the coast of
7. A) hit B) seize C) damage D) overturn
8. A) sink to B) rest on C) dive to D) hide on
9. A) In that search B) Because of this C) In spite of that D) In support of this
10. A) so B) such C) above D) the same
11. A) air B) oxygen C) energy D) heat
12. A) what B) where C) how D) when
13. A) it is believed B) he believes C) we believe D) it believes
14. A) because of B) due to C) since D) owing to
15. A) communicates B) knows C) hears D) develops

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