

# Paper Tube Whales

Mother blue whales watch over their calves for the first six months of their life. The young blue whales have a lot of growing to do: Whale milk is so high in fat that their calves gain 250 pounds per day! Eventually the blue whales will start eating krill and grow up to 110 feet long, the same length as two school buses.

## Materials

- 1 paper towel tube
- 1 toilet paper tube
- Crayons or markers
- Tape or glue
- Scissors
- 4 sheets of paper (3 blue optional)
- Print-out templates (page 4-7)
  - Baby whale page 4
  - Mama whale pages 5-6
  - Extra pieces page 7

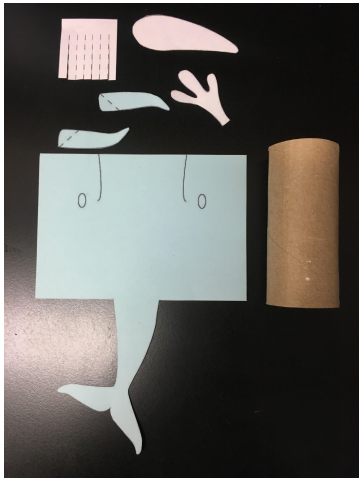


## Directions

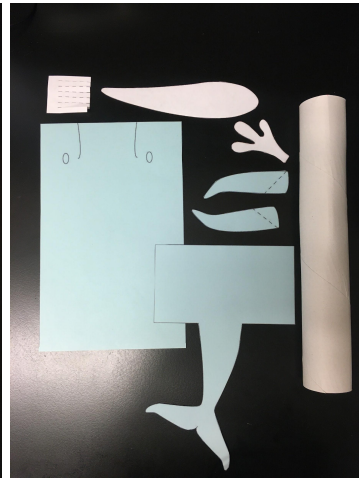
1. Print whale templates: pages 4-6 on blue paper if desired, page 7 on white paper.

2. **Cut** out the templates.

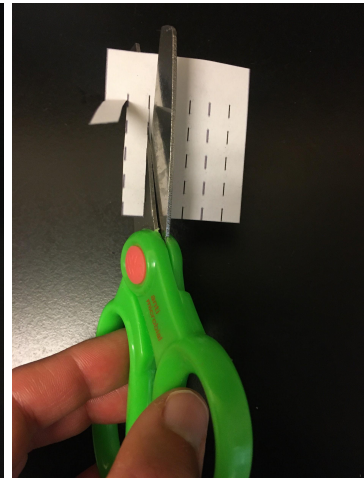
Baby Whale



Mama Whale



Baleen



3. **Color** whales as desired.

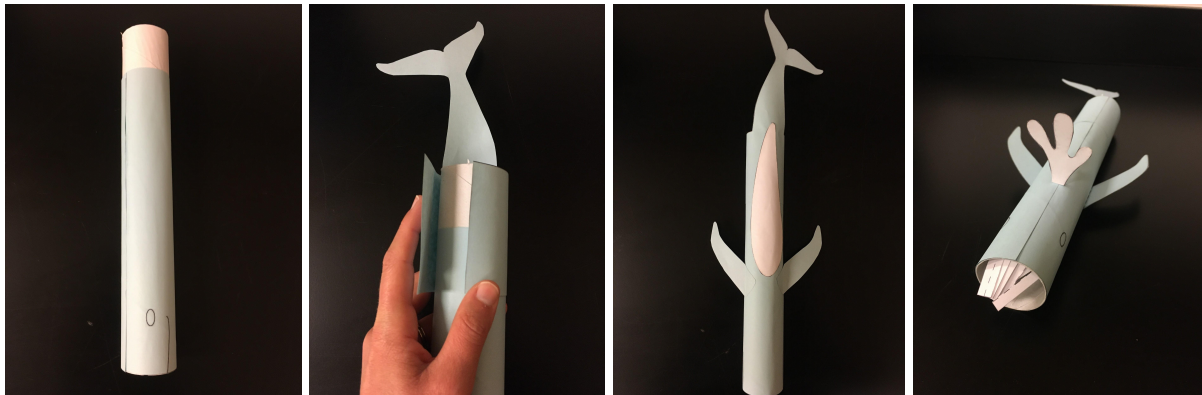
4. **Assemble** Baby Blue Whale

- a. **Wrap** the body around a toilet paper tube.
- b. **Glue** or **tape** in place.
- c. **Glue** or **tape** the tummy in the middle of the body.
- d. **Fold** fins on dotted lines.
- e. **Glue** or **tape** fins on either side of the whale's body.
- f. **Glue** or **tape** tummy on the bottom of the whale's body.
- g. **Glue** or **tape** the water spout on top of the whale.
- h. **Glue** or **tape** the baleen inside the tube at the whale's mouth.



5. **Assemble** Mama Blue Whale

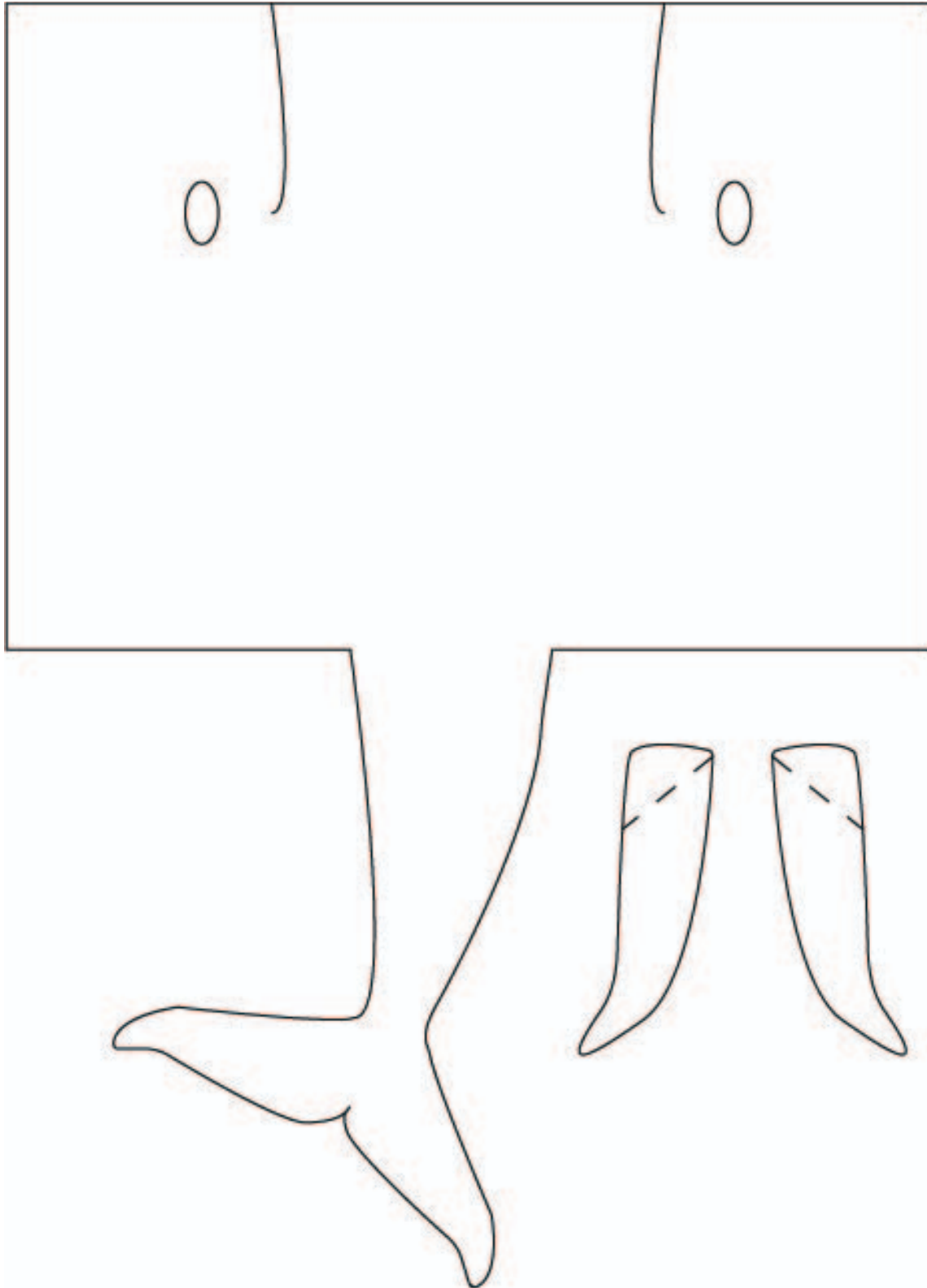
- a. **Wrap** the body with the face around a paper towel tube.
- b. **Glue** or **tape** in place.
- c. **Wrap** the body with the tail around the bottom of the paper towel tube.
- d. **Glue** or **tape** the tummy in the middle of the body.
- e. **Fold** fins on dotted lines.
- f. **Glue** or **tape** fins on either side of the whale's body.
- g. **Glue** or **tape** tummy on the bottom of the whale's body.
- h. **Glue** or **tape** the water spout inside the tube on the top of the whale.
- i. **Glue** or **tape** the baleen inside the tube at the whale's mouth.

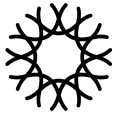


6. **Tell** a story about your whales!



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