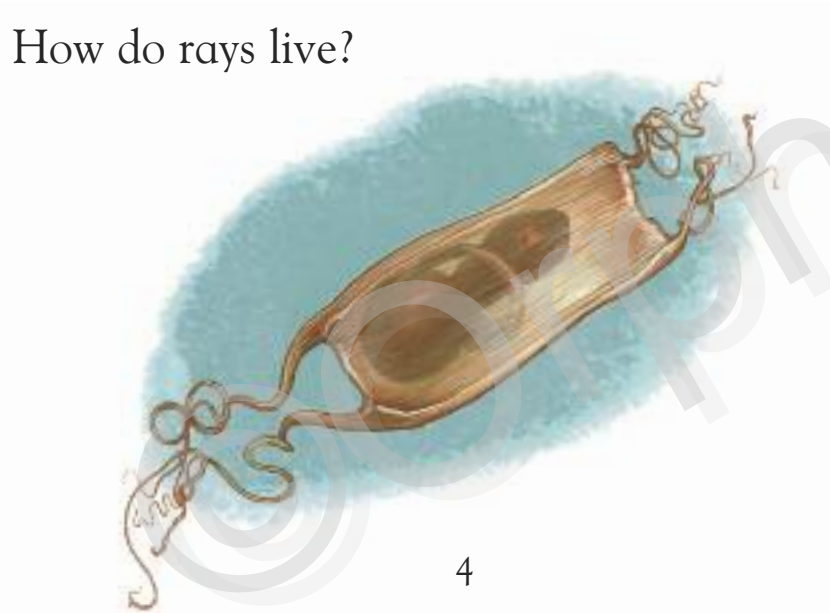


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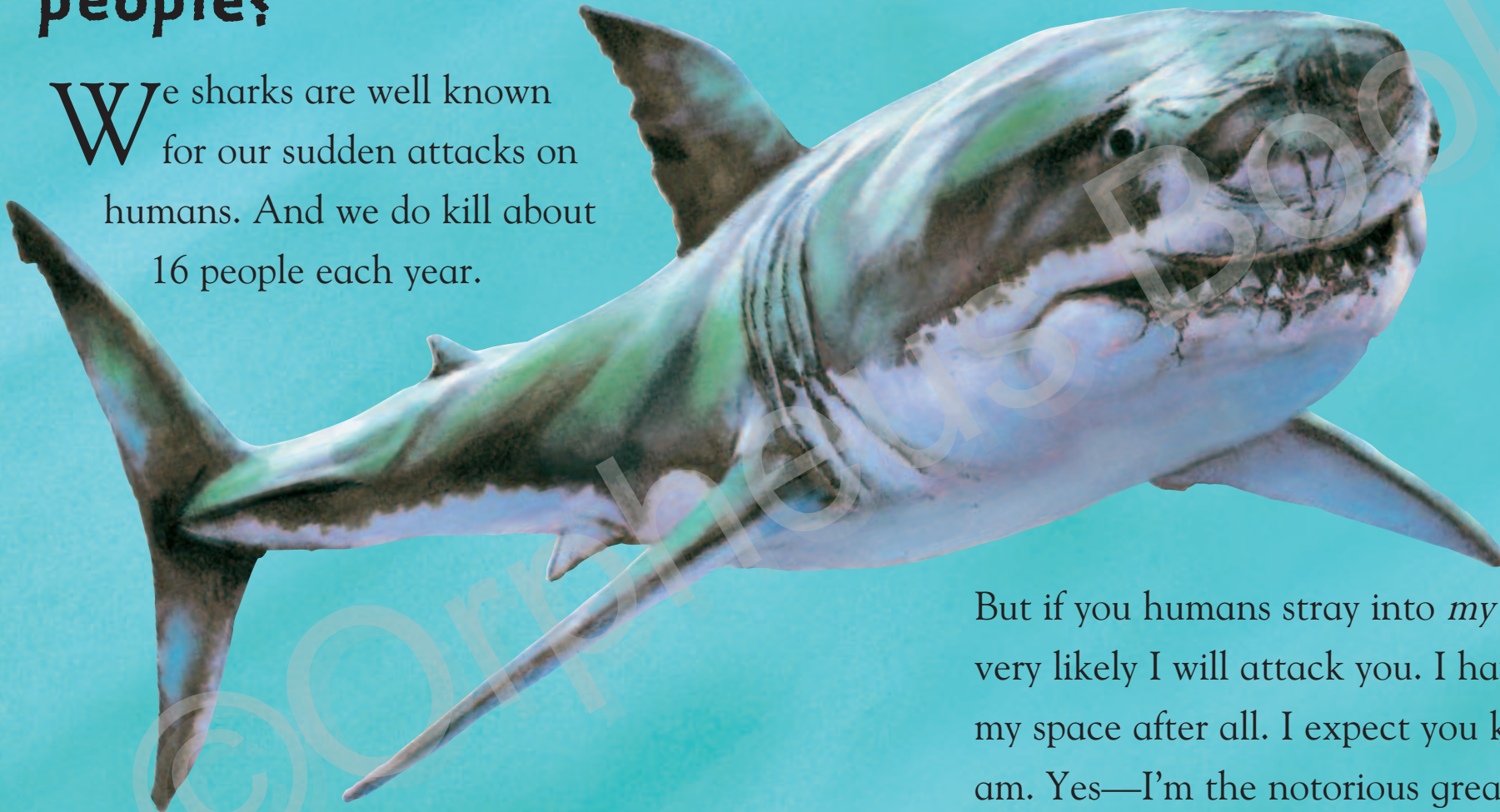


Sharks

You might think of us sharks as huge, fierce man-eating fish. Some of us *are* pretty dangerous, but most of the 350 kinds are much smaller than humans—and really quite timid. So what is a shark? Our skeletons are made of gristle rather than bone. Most of us eat meat, although some feed on tiny sea creatures.

Do sharks attack people?

We sharks are well known for our sudden attacks on humans. And we do kill about 16 people each year.



These are mostly accidents.

We can't see very well in murky waters and we mistake you for a tasty seal ...

But if you humans stray into *my* territory, it's very likely I will attack you. I have to protect my space after all. I expect you know who I am. Yes—I'm the notorious great white.



Which sharks live on the sea bed?

We angelsharks don't look like sharks, but that's what we are. Our flat shape and speckled skin make us very difficult to see. We can't move very fast so we have to catch our prey by surprise.

During the day, we bury ourselves in sand in shallow waters. When fish or squid swim past we burst out to catch them in our spiky teeth.