

These sets can be given to research clubs during Session 2 of the unit. They can also be reread by clubs during Bend II, along with the additional Bend II texts.

During Bend III, these sets can be given out to clubs who have not yet studied the issue.

You can also note a few texts marked which you might find particularly helpful to steer students to read/reread during Session 12 “Who Said What? Studying Perspective.”

**As always, please preview these sets before giving them to your students to make sure they are best-suited for your particular class.**

## Should killer whale shows be banned? Text Set

### Articles:

- “Should Orca Shows Be Banned?” (article from *Junior Scholastic*, May 2014)
- “Marine Parks Wrestling with Change” article adapted by Newsela from *Orlando Sentinel* (can be read at multiple levels)  
<https://newsela.com/articles/captive-whales/id/5401/>
- “SeaWorld Promises a Bigger Pool for its Orcas After Movie Made People Angry” article adapted by Newsela from *Los Angeles Times* (can be read at multiple levels)  
<https://newsela.com/articles/seaworld-orcas/id/4866/>
- “Sea World says Movie ‘Blackfish’ is Wrong about its Killer Whales” article adapted by Newsela from *Orlando Sentinel*  
<https://newsela.com/articles/orca-lifespan/id/2637/>
- “California bill would ban orca shows at SeaWorld”  
<http://www.cnn.com/2014/03/07/us/california-bill-orca-killer-whale-seaworld>
- “Smart, social and erratic in captivity” from *The New York Times*  
[http://www.nytimes.com/2013/07/30/science/smart-social-and-captive.html?pagewanted=all&\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/07/30/science/smart-social-and-captive.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0)
- “Rejected: Blackfish” from Awesome Ocean.com  
**\*may be one that you want to steer students toward during Session 12 “Who Said What? Studying Perspective”**  
<http://www.awesomeocean.com/2014/11/24/kids-nationwide-reject-blackfish-agen>
- (Ad against Killer Whale Shows by PETA)  
<http://timesofsandiego.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/PETA-poster-for-Comic-Con.jpg>

### Books:

- *Killer Whales* by Charnan Simon and Ariel Kazunas
- *Killer Whales: Scary Creatures* by John Malam
- *Amazing Animals: Killer Whales* by Kate Riggs
- *Killer Whale vs. Great White Shark: Who Would Win?* by Jerry Pallotta
- *Whales* by Seymour Simon

### **Multimedia:**

- Zoologist says orcas will decline in the wild  
<http://www.cnn.com/2014/03/07/us/california-bill-orca-killer-whale-seaworld/>
- Sea World Killer Whale Trainer Responds to “Blackfish”  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VX4GRC6L07w> **(0–2:39)**
- Ad for Seaworld:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CbGoosBlRwk>
- Facts About Seaworld’s Killer Whales  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2fa6inwzLIA>

Note: In many of these articles, students will read mention of the movie “Blackfish.” We do **not** think that this movie should be available in the text set to students. It is a film aimed at adults and contains graphic content that might be disturbing to children.