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SHARKS: FRIEND OR FOE?

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QUICK QUESTION

1. Who gets to eat shark fin soup in the past?
Emperors and high-ranking officials.
2. Why are sharks important in managing the equilibrium of the marine ecosystem?
Sharks balance food webs and maintain a healthy prey population. They feed on sick and weak fish to prevent the spread of harmful diseases to other species. Removing the weaker species ensures a healthier population of fish.
3. It is cruel to harvest shark fins because the
 - a. sharks need fins to swim
 - b. fins are cut and the sharks is left to die**
 - c. fins are cut slowly and painfully
4. Which species is slowly taking over as the top predator in the sea?
 - a. Humans**
 - b. Stingrays
 - c. Poisonous fish