

WHITE WHALES

A photograph of a white whale, likely a beluga whale, swimming in clear blue water. The whale is the central focus, swimming towards the viewer. Above its head, a stream of bubbles rises from its blowhole. The background is a deep blue, suggesting an underwater environment. The title 'WHITE WHALES' is overlaid at the top in large, stylized letters.

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- Alphabet
- Alphabet Review & Longer Words
- Digraphs
- VCe**
- Reading Longer Words

VCe

Skills included in this set are:

- a_e /ā/
- i_e /ī/
- o_e /ō/
- VCe review 1; e_e /ē/
- u_e /ū/, /yū/
- VCe review 2

Below are warm-up words that highlight the book's focus skill as well as irregular high-frequency words (including temporarily irregular) found in the book.

Warm-Up Words		Irregular High-Frequency Words	
white	whale	their	talk
fluke	dive	to	**see
nose	wise	what	
mate	home		
quite	these		

**denotes a temporarily irregular high-frequency word*

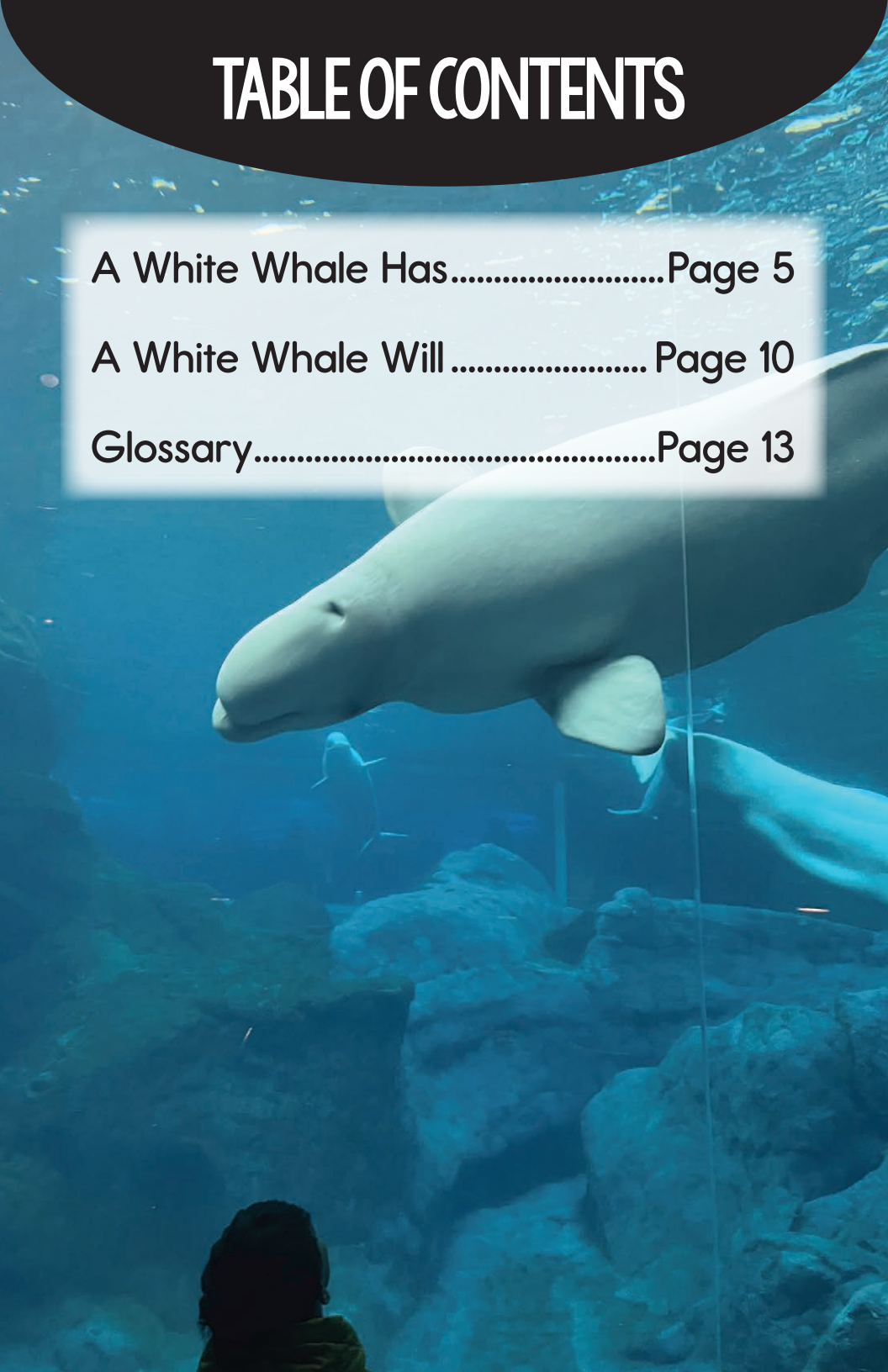
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A White Whale Has
This is a white whale.





White helps it blend in.



Can you see the whales?





Their fins help them dive and swim.



This is
its fluke.



A white whale has a big nose.

A white whale is wise.



They can
hit a ball.



A White Whale Will

This whale will click and clang to talk to its mate.



These whales are close mates. They talk a lot.

What will
he nosh?



This whale will munch on fish,
squid, and shrimp.





Their home is quite crisp. It would be swell to see a white whale up close in its home.

GLOSSARY

crisp

briskly cold



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White whales are also known as Beluga whales. They are beautiful animals of the sea. Read to learn more about them.



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