## Notes:

Acceptable responses include:

yes: education value [so people can see sharks; see that sharks are different from movies; see how they live/act]yes: save from extinction/they are rare and endangeredyes: if they are in open space and fed wellno: eat other fish in tank; get aggressiveno: they should be in natural habitat and natural home/large area; they need their space/they grow too big for the spaceno: they don't live long in captivity; don't eat

# NOT acceptable:

they should be free/roam free; they are wild animalsit will stop shark attacksthey die (without a reason)won't know how to live in wild when they are releasedit's meanthey will miss their familyit will keep them safe

# **Score and Description**

# Acceptable

Responses at this level provide an opinion about whether it is a good idea to keep white sharks in captivity and explain the answer using information from the article. Responses may provide both a positive and negative opinion.

- Yes, so then people can learn about them instead of being in fear.
- I think it is, because the sharks are rare.
- No, because it might endanger the lives of the other animals living in the tank.
- I think it's good and bad at the same time. Why I think it's good is so sharks could breed and won't go extinct. But it's bad mainly because they sometimes won't eat and then they die.

# Unacceptable

Responses at this level provide incorrect information, irrelevant details, or unsupported personal opinions or may simply repeat the question.

- No, it is not a good idea to keep white sharks out of water.
- No, because they are supposed to be a free living animal, not kept in captivity.
- To help a white shark, I think it's a good idea.
- Yes, when they are in captivity they are good entertainment.

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