

shark

1. [ʃɑ:k] *n*
 1. 1) акула
 - 2) хищник
financial sharks - ≅ биржевые акулы
 2. шулер; мошенник; вымогатель
 3. спекулянт
land shark - спекулянт земельными участками
 4. *амер. студ. жарг.* блестящий знаток (*чего-л.*)
to be a shark at maths - отличаться по математике, ≅ в математике собаку съел
 5. ростовщик (*мж.* loan shark)
 6. *pl уст.* отряд вербовщиков
2. [ʃɑ:k] *v*
 1. мошенничать, жульничать, плутовать; вымогать
 2. пожирать
 3. жить на чужой счёт; прихлебательствовать; паразитировать

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shark [shark sharks] *BrE* [ʃɑ:k] *NAmE* [ʃɑ:rk] **noun**

1. a large sea fish with very sharp teeth and a pointed [↑]fin on its back. There are several types of **shark**, some of which can attack people swimming
 - a Great White Shark
 - a fatal shark attack
2. (*informal, disapproving*) a person who is dishonest in business, especially sb who gives bad advice and gets people to pay too much for sth
see also [↑]loan shark

Word Origin:

sense 1 late Middle English

sense 2 late 16th cent. German **Schurke** 'worthless rogue' [↑]shark

Example Bank:

- The boat went down in shark-infested waters off the coast of South Africa.
- The dark shapes of half a dozen sharks circled beneath the boat.

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[**Sense 2**: **Date**: 1500-1600; **Origin**: Probably from German schurke 'bad man'; influenced by ⇒ [↑]shark(1)]



1. a large sea fish with several rows of very sharp teeth that is considered to be dangerous to humans:
 - Sharks were circling around our boat.
 - shark-infested waters** (=waters where there are a lot of sharks)
2. *informal* someone who cheats other people out of money
pool/card shark (=someone who uses their skill at [↑]pool or cards to cheat other players out of money)
⇒ [↑]loan shark

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