

Save-A-Seal Sing Along Answer Key

Answer key:

- 1) 415-289-SEAL
- 2) Keep your distance! At least 50 feet is best.
- 3) Northern elephant seals, California sea lions, and Pacific harbor seals
- 4) Reduce our use of fossil fuels, refuse single-use plastic, choose sustainable seafood
- 5) Walk and bike to school or work; eat vegetarian meals (it takes less fossil fuels to grow produce than livestock); plant trees; buy reusable water bottles, bags, and food storage containers...and so much more!

Glossary:

- **Pinniped:** Fin-footed marine mammals like seals and sea lions
- **Ke Kai Ola:** The Marine Mammal Center site in Hawaii, which cares for endangered Hawaiian monk seals
- **Rescue:** One of our main tasks at The Marine Mammal Center: rescuing sick or injured marine mammals so we can treat them.
- **Ocean Ambassadors:** The Marine Mammal Center's middle school marine conservation program.
- **Research:** Another of our main tasks: doing research to learn about our patients and their behavior so we can improve their treatment.
- **Domoic Acid:** A toxin released by a certain type of phytoplankton when it blooms. It can cause Domoic Acid Toxicity in marine mammals.
- **Rehabilitate:** Another one of our main tasks at The Marine Mammal Center: rehabilitating—or making better—sick or injured marine mammals so they can be released into the wild.
- **Entanglement:** Getting tangled up in something. Marine mammals can get entangled in fishing gear or other debris.
- **Malnutrition:** Lack of food.
- **Hawaiian monk seal:** An endangered seal that we care for at Ke Kai Ola.
- **Chippy:** A famous California sea lion patient at The Marine Mammal Center that climbed on top of a police car!
- **Southern Sea Otter:** A threatened species of marine mammal that we care for at The Marine Mammal Center.
- **Snouty:** A famous California sea lion patient at The Marine Mammal Center that had a crab pot entanglement on his snout.
- **Conservation:** Protecting the environment and animals.
- **Fish milkshake:** What we feed patients who don't yet know how to eat. Fish milkshakes usually include a mixture of fish, milk protein, salmon oil, and/or medicine.