

# ASK THE DOLPHIN

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Ask the dolphin what it's like  
To be so much smarter  
Than all the other species  
Inhabiting the water.

Ask him what it's like to be  
Sensitive and sweeter,  
More complex, more civilized  
Than any other creature.

Ask him how he feels about  
The gaping tiger shark.  
Ask, and he will nuzzle you  
And bob and grin and bark.

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