Thursday 15th July Inference

- 1) Read the extract from Super Shark Powers
- 2) Answer the questions below. Find evidence from the text to help with each one before writing you answer as a full sentence.

1.	In the text Steve says that his 'heart leapt'. Explain what you think this means and why this phrase was used.
2.	How do you think Steve felt when he was sat on the rock? Explain your thoughts and include evidence from the text.
3.	Why do you think the term 'rubbish bin' used to describe Tiger Sharks?
4.	How do you think Steve feels about sharks? Use language from the text to support your answer.

Inference Answers

1.	In the text Steve says that his 'heart leapt'. Explain what you think this means and why this phrase was used. 'Heart leapt' is a phrase you may use to say that you were frightened. Steve used this to describe his fear when he realized he was being circled by a shark.
2.	How do you think Steve felt when he was sat on the rock? Explain your thoughts and include evidence from the text. I think Steve was terrified, so much so that he 'scrambled' on to a rock to get away. He goes on to say how he 'sat there for three hours' until he had 'horrific sunburn'. This must have been painful and shows how scared he must have been.
3.	Why do you think the term 'rubbish bin' used to describe Tiger Sharks? I think the term 'rubbish bin' refers to the Tiger Shark eating anything it can find, even things that people would otherwise describe as rubbish.
4.	How do you think Steve feels about sharks? Use language from the text to support your answer. Steve was scared of sharks when he first encountered one when he was eleven. He said his experience 'set the store for a lifetime obsession'. He also says that sharks are 'really not that dangerous to us' and that 'more people are killed taking selfies' than by sharks. I think he believes they are incredible creatures as he describes them as 'jaw-some' – a play on the word awesome. He is concerned about them too because he asks for readers to 'spread the word' otherwise they 'might disappear'.