

A Whale of a Food Tale

Welcome to the
Milstein Hall of
Ocean Life!

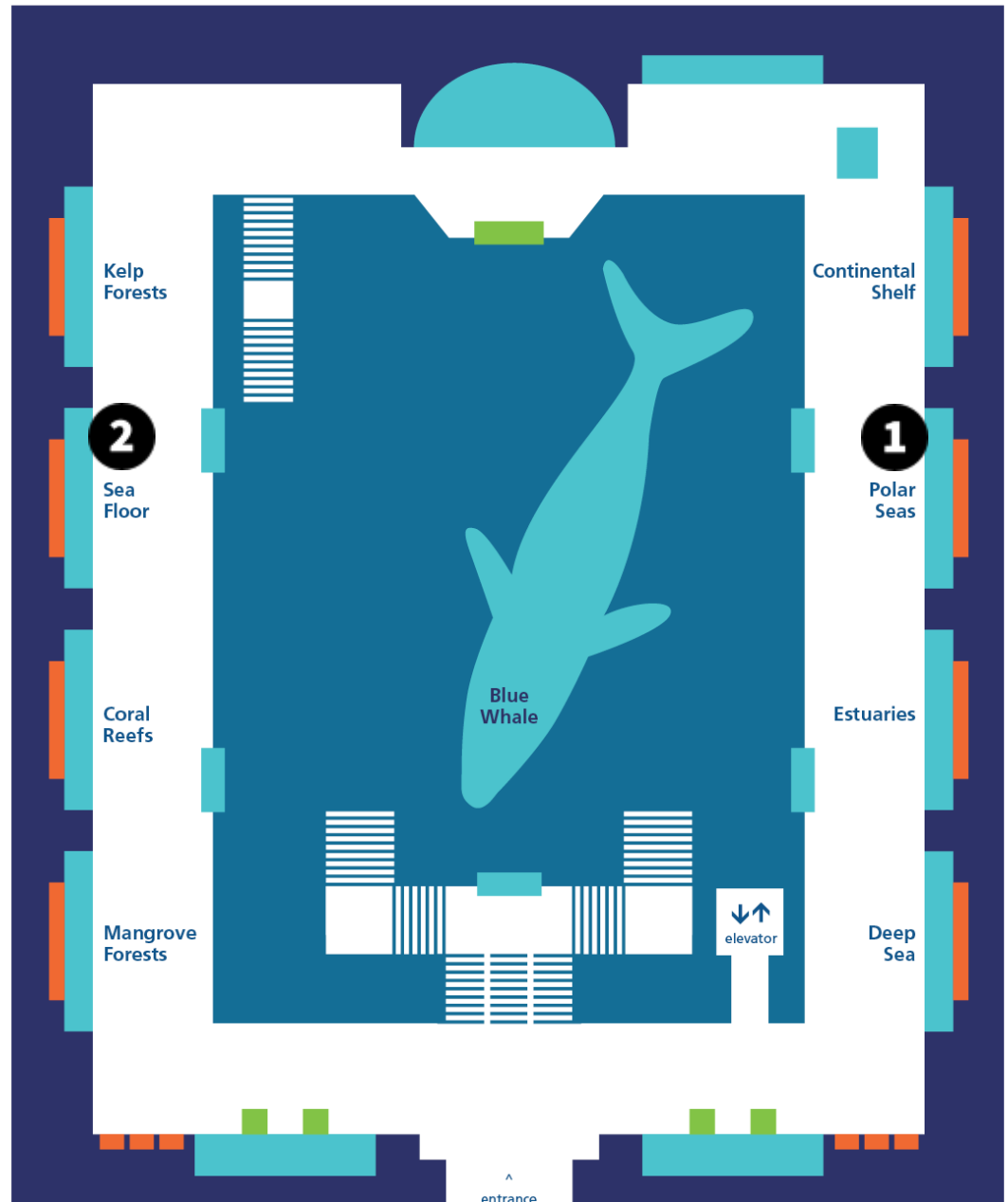
Visit two ecosystem
exhibits on the upper
level of the hall to
explore a whale's food
chain and how energy
is transferred between
marine organisms.

STOP 1 Polar Seas

Investigation Question:
What feeds a whale?

STOP 2 Sea Floor

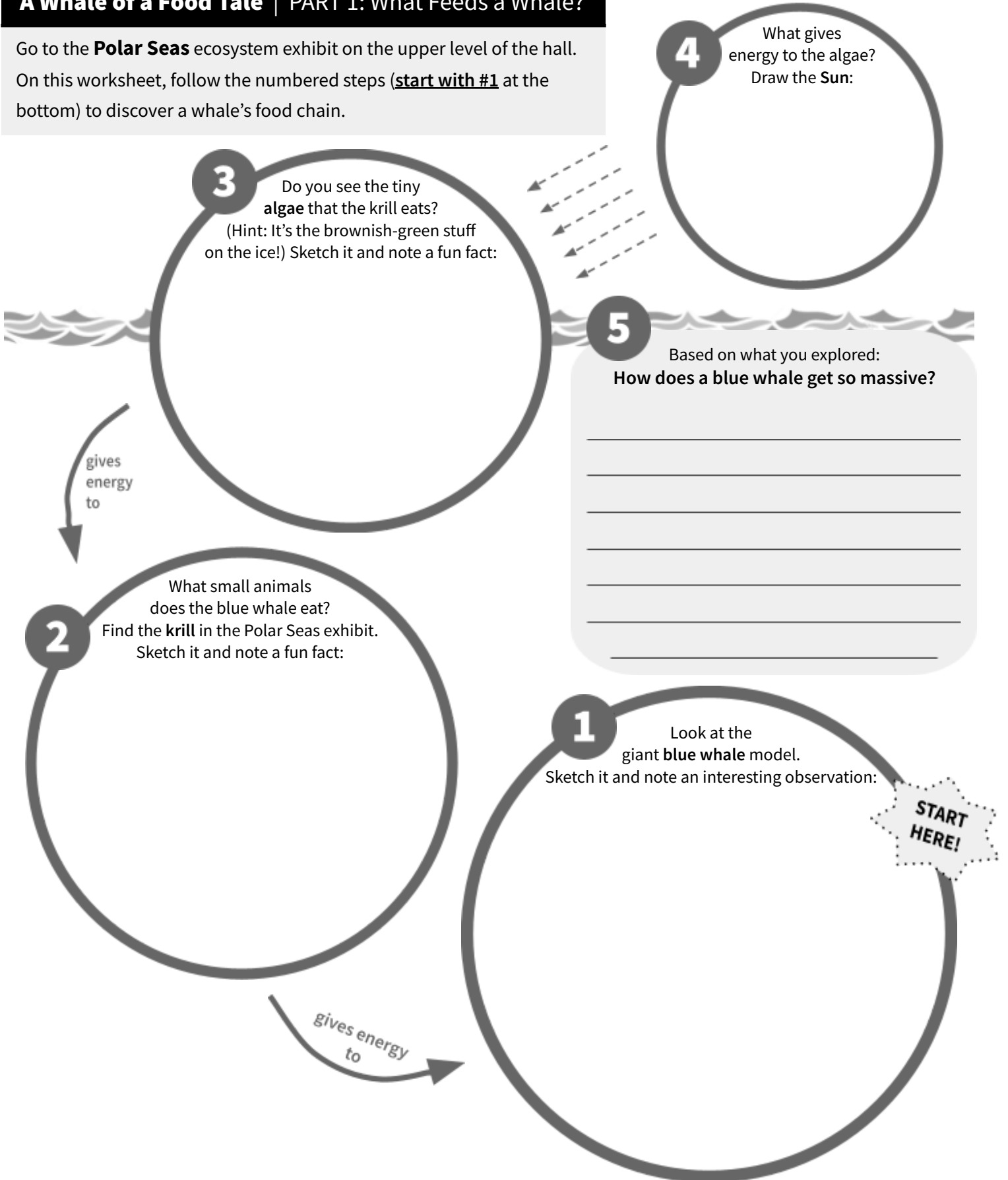
Investigation Question:
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The upper level of the hall features eight **marine ecosystems**.
And the big empty space in the middle of the hall represents
another marine ecosystem: the **open ocean**!

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Go to the **Polar Seas** ecosystem exhibit on the upper level of the hall. On this worksheet, follow the numbered steps (**start with #1** at the bottom) to discover a whale's food chain.



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Go to the **Sea Floor** ecosystem exhibit on the opposite side of the upper level. On this worksheet, follow the numbered steps (start with #1 at the bottom) to discover another part of the whale's food chain.

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| <p>5 Based on what you explored: How does a whale fall support an ecosystem?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | <p>Sunlight does not penetrate to the sea floor. How is the Sun's energy transferred to this ecosystem?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> |
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