

# A Whale of a Food Tale

Welcome to the Milstein Hall of Ocean Life!

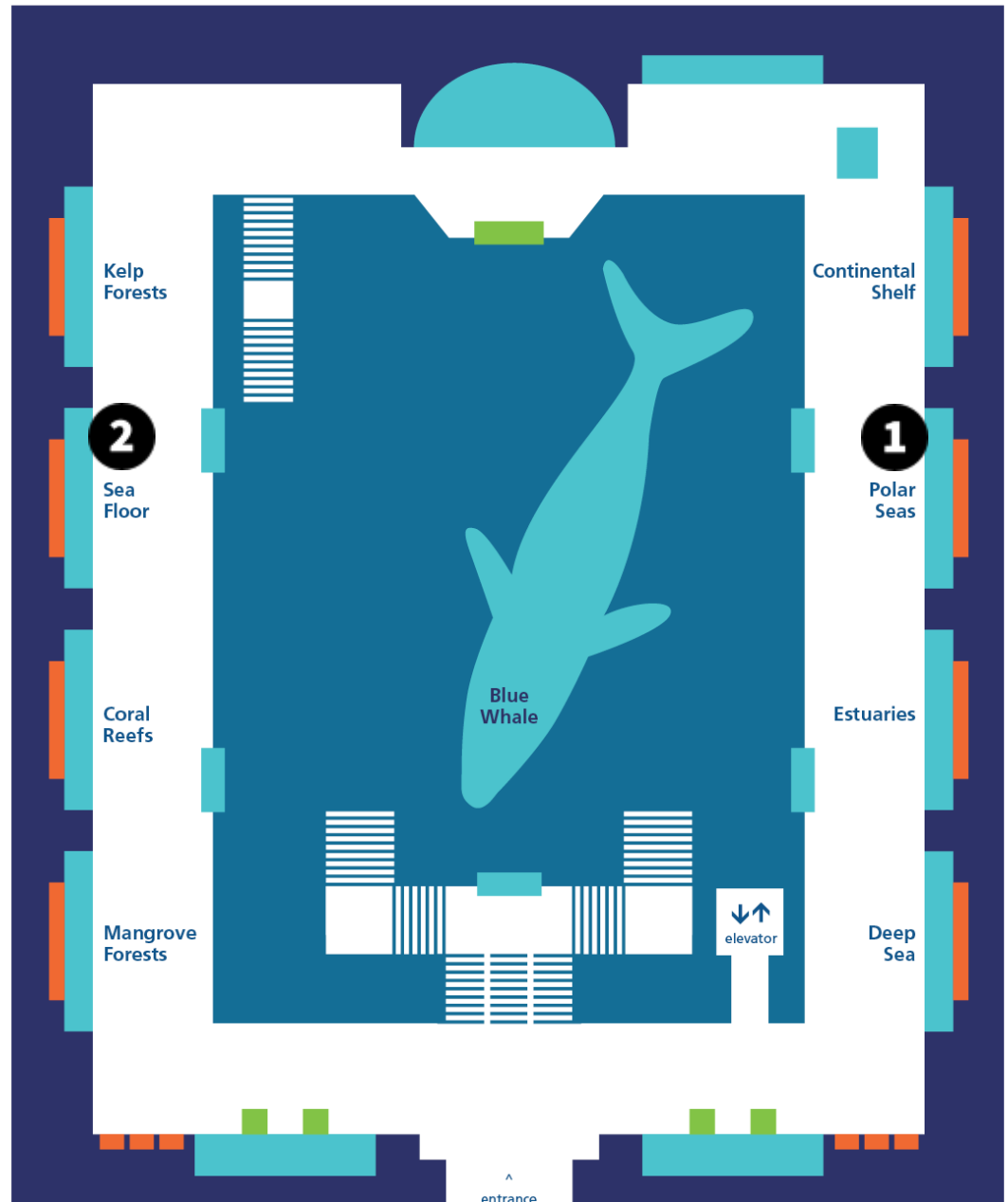
Visit two ecosystem exhibits on the upper level of the hall to explore a whale's food chain and how energy is transferred between marine organisms.

## STOP 1 Polar Seas

Investigation Question:  
What feeds a whale?

## STOP 2 Sea Floor

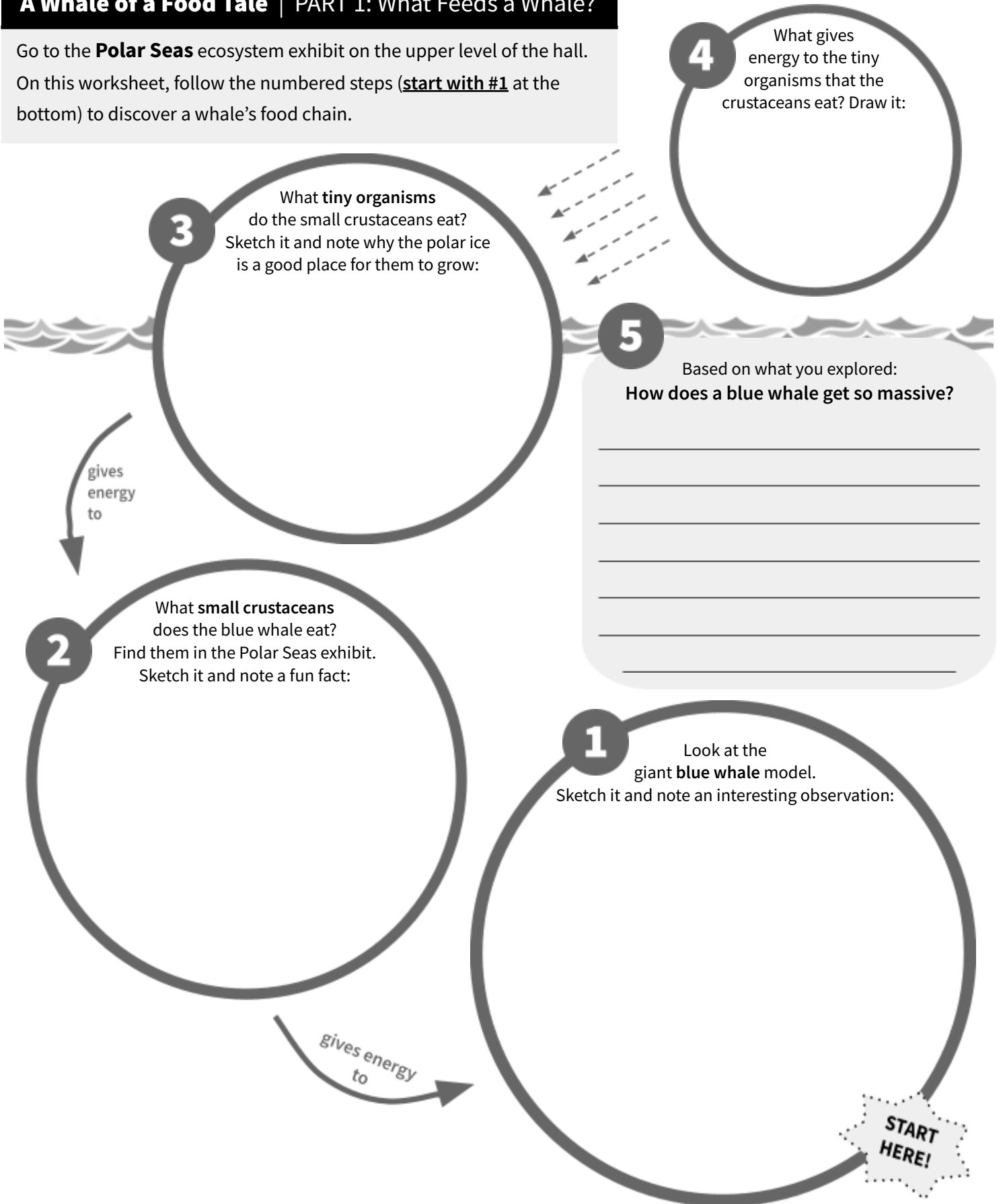
Investigation Question:  
What does a whale feed?



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**!

## A Whale of a Food Tale | PART 1: What Feeds a Whale?

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.



## A Whale of a Food Tale | PART 2: What Does a Whale Feed?

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.

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