

# How Hamupēke / Humpback whales Baleen teeth work

Humpback whales are filter feeders. They filter krill and other small fish through their baleen teeth, which hang from their top jaw. This game demonstrates how a humpback whale uses its baleen teeth to filter feed.

**You will need:** a bowl, water, a cup, a comb and krill (either grass or plastic fish)

- ① Fill your bowl with water.



- ② Put in your "Krill" or something to represent Krill. You can use grass or anything that floats.



- ③ The cup represents the whales large gup, "Gup" up some water, then place the comb over the cup just like the Baleen teeth (from the top down)



- ④ Slowly filter/push the water out through the Baleen teeth (teeth of the comb), once all the water is gone the 'Krill' remain for the whale to swallow.

