In our rivers and coastal waters there are many kinds of dolphins and whales.
Dolphins and whales are mammals, just like you and me. They breathe air, so all dolphins and whales need to come to the water’s surface to breathe.

Dolphins and whales spend their entire life in water. They are even born under water. Dolphin and whale babies drink their mother’s milk.
Dolphins eat fish. Most whales eat tiny creatures found in the water. Dolphins and whales have a horizontal tail fin, which helps them to surface. A fish tail is vertical and moves from side to side.
The shushuk, a River dolphin, lives in many of our rivers. This dolphin is almost blind. Like bats, the shushuk uses sound to hunt fish and move around in the murky water.
Humans as well as dolphins and whales need fish. Dolphins and whales live where there are enough fish for them and us.

But if we catch too many fish, build too many dams and pollute our water, these amazing animals will disappear.

When dolphins or whales get entangled in fishing nets, they can’t surface to breathe and drown.
Dolphins and whales are important – where they are, there are fish. We need to take care of the dolphins and whales of Bangladesh.