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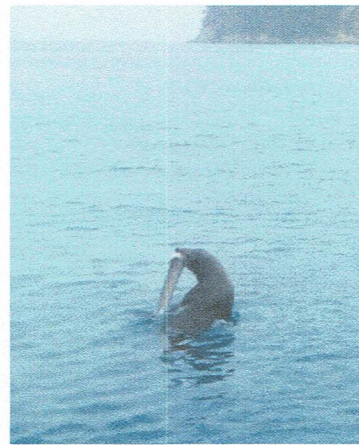
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WE OCCASSIONALLY GET TO SEE SEALS FEEDING DURING THE DAY. A LARGE FISH WHICH IS TOO BIG TO SWALLOW WHOLE IS QUITE HARD FOR A SEAL TO DEAL WITH. WHEN THIS HAPPENS IT MUST TRY AND BREAK IT UP TO SWALLOW IT.

SEALS OFTEN SEEM TO BE LAZY ANIMALS WHICH LIE ABOUT SLEEPING !

IN FACT THEY ARE QUITE SMART BECAUSE THEY ARE WAITING FOR NIGHT-TIME BEFORE HEADING OUT TO SEA TO CATCH THEIR FOOD.

AT NIGHT-TIME MANY FISH COME NEAR THE SURFACE TO FEED.



TRY THIS

WARNING!

Do not attempt this in front of someone who likes good manners!

CAN YOU EAT LIKE A SEAL?

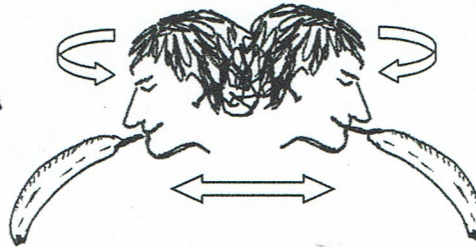
YOU NEED A FISH!



INSTEAD, TAKE ONE WHOLE, UNPEELED BANANA !



WITHOUT USING YOUR HANDS, YOU MUST PEEL AND EAT IT!



IT'S FUN !

TRY IT ! YOU WILL GAIN A NEW UNDERSTANDING OF HOW SEALS EAT!

DOING RESEARCH ON ANIMALS THAT ARE ACTIVE AT NIGHT IS ALWAYS A CHALLENGE, SEALS INCLUDED ! TRY SETTING UP SOME ANIMAL MONITORING AT YOUR LOCAL BEACH.

During the day, birds, like gulls, rule the beach. At night other animals often use it, like crabs, insects, mice, cats, penguins etc. So what is the 'night-life' like, down on the local beach?

Be inventive, a new method of monitoring will often show new results!

Tricks to try

Trip lines ...

Use small lengths of cotton or grass to tie across possible animal routes. If the routes are active you can tell.

Night-time sand tracks ...

At the beach, smooth off an area of sand. Space out some different baits in the area. Try peanut butter, crushed raw mussel, bread or cheese. Looks for tracks left in the sand.

Night-time video camera exploration ...

Some video cameras, including quite old ones, can have 'night vision' functions. If you have a camera, you may be able to explore your garden, or local beach at night using it.