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How Do Whales Move?

Short Answer Key

1. Whales move their tails up and down to propel themselves forward.
2. A whale's streamlined body reduces drag, allowing it to swim efficiently and conserve energy.
3. Pectoral fins help whales steer and maintain balance while swimming.
4. Whales surface to breathe air through their blowholes since they are mammals.
5. Whales' tails are horizontal and move up and down, while fish tails are vertical and move side to side.

