

THE WORLD OF ANIMALS

Part 1 Strange pets

A Read about four strange pets.

Billy goats can be aggressive; so if you have children, a billy goat is not for you. They must have a big enough area to move around. They mainly eat plants and they can smell.



Tortoises can live for a long time and they are very active when warm and well-fed. They are easy to keep - they don't take too much time and are not expensive.

Pot-bellied pigs are clean and they don't smell. They have no fleas and they eat less than other pigs. Pigs are lovable but can become spoiled. You have to take them to the vet only once a year.



Lizards are great pets with the right heating and lighting. The equipment needed for a lizard is more expensive than the lizard itself. If they eat insects, you often have to visit pet shops.

YOUR TURN!

B Answer the questions.

- 1 Which of the strange pets would you like to have and why?
- 2 What other strange animals do people keep as pets?
- 3 Is keeping a pet only a joy or also a responsibility? Explain your answer.
- 4 Are you a dog or a cat person? What pet do you have or would like to have?
- 5 If you have a pet, what does it like or doesn't like to do?

C Compare the strange pets from Task A. Add your own examples.

- 1 Billy goats are _____ than tortoises.
- 2 Tortoises are _____ than pot-bellied pigs.
- 3 Pot-bellied pigs are _____ than lizards.
- 4 Lizards are _____ than billy goats.
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

Part 2 Animal Quiz

A Match animals to their offspring.

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|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 hen | <input type="checkbox"/> duckling |
| 2 pig | <input type="checkbox"/> kitten |
| 3 horse | <input type="checkbox"/> kid |
| 4 goat | <input type="checkbox"/> foal |
| 5 sheep | <input type="checkbox"/> puppy |
| 6 cat | <input type="checkbox"/> chicken |
| 7 dog | <input type="checkbox"/> piglet |
| 8 duck | <input type="checkbox"/> lamb |

B Match the animals to their body parts.

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|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 trunk | <input type="checkbox"/> snail |
| 2 beak | <input type="checkbox"/> horse |
| 3 gill | <input type="checkbox"/> elephant |
| 4 shell | <input type="checkbox"/> fish |
| 5 spout | <input type="checkbox"/> duck |
| 6 hoof | <input type="checkbox"/> dolphin |

C What sounds do animals make?

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| 1 snakes | <input type="checkbox"/> purr |
| 2 bees | <input type="checkbox"/> howl |
| 3 dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> hiss |
| 4 wolves | <input type="checkbox"/> roar |
| 5 cats | <input type="checkbox"/> bark |
| 6 lions | <input type="checkbox"/> buzz |

D What are the groups of animals?

- | | |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 a flock of | <input type="checkbox"/> elephants |
| 2 a school of | <input type="checkbox"/> wolves |
| 3 a swarm of | <input type="checkbox"/> birds |
| 4 a pack of | <input type="checkbox"/> bees |
| 5 a herd of | <input type="checkbox"/> dolphins |

DID YOU KNOW?

Add more facts!

- Elephants can't jump.
- Dingos can't bark.
- Koalas don't drink water.

- _____
- _____
- _____

HOMEWORK

E AN A TO Z OF ANIMALS Complete the table.

A
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J jaguar
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N nightingale
O
P
Q quail
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S
T
U unicorn
V
W
X X-ray fish
Y yak
Z

Guidelines for Teachers

Worksheet	The World of Animals
Year	5/6
Topic	Strange pets and other animals
Key language	strange pets, animal body parts/offspring/sounds/groups/facts, an A to Z of animals, comparatives
Aims	Reading and talking about four strange pets. Comparing pets, matching animals to their young, body parts, the sounds they make, the groups they belong to. Learning some facts about different animals.
Duration	45 minutes
Procedure	<p>Part 1: Ss read about four strange pets and answer the questions in which they have to give their opinions on them and on having pets in general. Then, they compare the strange pets from the text using comparatives of adjectives.</p> <p>Part 2: Ss do the animal quiz with four matching tasks and check the answers with their T. They read the 'Did you know' facts about animals and add three more facts on their own or in pairs.</p>
References	http://pets.answers.com/ http://www.vetstreet.com/ http://www.wisageek.com/ http://animal-facts.org/
Correlation	Science
Homework	Ss will complete the table with the names of animals in alphabetical order. Some words have already been provided.

Answer key**Part 1**

C 1 more aggressive, 2 less spoiled, 3 funnier, 4 more dangerous,
5/6 Example: Lizards are more expensive than tortoises. Tortoises are better
for children than billy goats. Tortoises are easier to keep than pot-bellied pigs.

Part 2

A 8, 6, 4, 3, 7, 1, 2, 5

B 4, 6, 1, 3, 2, 5

C 5, 4, 1, 6, 3, 2

D 5, 4, 1, 3, 2

DID YOU KNOW?

Gorillas can't swim. Emus can't fly. Dolphins are mammals. Kangaroos are
good swimmers. The duckbilled platypus is a mammal that lays eggs.

E Homework

AN A TO Z OF ANIMALS	
A ant	N nightingale
B beaver	O octopus
C cheetah	P panda
D donkey	Q quail
E eagle	R rooster
F fox	S squirrel
G giraffe	T tiger
H hedgehog	U unicorn
I iguana	V vulture
J jaguar	W worm
K kangaroo	X X-ray fish
L lamb	Y yak
M mole	Z zebra