

Animals

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Name or team: _____

01 Which black-and-white bear eats mostly bamboo?

02 Which animal builds dams across streams using branches and mud?

03 What is a butterfly called during its larval stage?

04 Which insect makes honey from nectar?

05 What is the largest living penguin species?

06 What is a lion family group called?

07 Which spotted big cat is the fastest land animal?

08 Which Australian animal eats mainly eucalyptus leaves?

09 What object can a sea otter use to crack open shellfish?

10 Which bird can mimic human speech: a parrot or an ostrich?

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01 Giant panda

Also accept: Panda

Smithsonian: Giant panda. Wild giant pandas eat bamboo almost exclusively, even though they are bears.

02 Beaver

Also accept: Beavers

Smithsonian: Beaver. Beavers build dams with branches and sticks, then seal the gaps with mud.

03 Caterpillar

Also accept: A caterpillar; larva

Smithsonian Gardens: About Butterflies. A caterpillar is a butterfly larva, the stage before it becomes a pupa.

04 Honey bee

Also accept: Honeybee; bee

Natural History Museum: What is honey and why do bees make it?. Honeybees process flower nectar and remove much of its water to make honey.

05 Emperor penguin

Also accept: Emperor

Australian Antarctic Program: Emperor penguin. Emperors are the largest living penguins; some extinct penguins were larger.

06 A pride

Also accept: Pride

Smithsonian: Do Lions Actually Purr? And Other Questions, Answered. A pride usually includes lionesses, their cubs and one or more adult males.

07 Cheetah

Also accept: Cheetahs

San Diego Zoo: Cheetah. Cheetahs are the fastest land animals, reaching high speeds over short distances.

08 Koala

Also accept: Koalas

San Diego Zoo: Koala. Koalas live in eastern and southeastern Australia and eat eucalypt leaves.

09 A rock

Also accept: Rock; stone

Monterey Bay Aquarium: Sea otter. A sea otter may use a rock to break the shell of prey such as a clam or crab.

10 Parrot

Also accept: A parrot

San Diego Zoo: Parrot. Some parrots copy human words as well as other sounds they hear around them.

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Space

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01 Which planet is closest to the Sun?

02 Which planet is the largest in our solar system?

03 Which planet is nicknamed the Red Planet?

04 What is the name of the star that Earth travels around?

05 How many planets are in our solar system?

06 Which planet is third from the Sun?

07 Which ringed planet is sixth from the Sun?

08 What do we call Earth's natural satellite?

09 What is the name of the galaxy that contains our solar system?

10 What type of planet is Pluto classified as?

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01 Mercury

NASA: About the Planets. Mercury is nearest to the Sun and is the smallest planet in our solar system.

02 Jupiter

NASA: About the Planets. Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system and the fifth from the Sun.

03 Mars

NASA: Mars Facts. Rusting iron minerals help give Mars the reddish color behind its nickname.

04 The Sun

Also accept: Sun

NASA: Sun Facts. The Sun is our solar system's only star, and Earth is one of the planets orbiting it.

05 Eight

Also accept: 8

NASA: About the Planets. The count includes Mercury through Neptune; dwarf planets are a separate group.

06 Earth

NASA: About the Planets. The first three planets from the Sun are Mercury, Venus and then Earth.

07 Saturn

NASA: Saturn Facts. Saturn is sixth from the Sun; its rings contain countless pieces of ice and rock.

08 The Moon

Also accept: Moon

NASA: Moon Facts. The Moon is Earth's natural satellite, meaning it travels in an orbit around Earth.

09 The Milky Way

Also accept: Milky Way galaxy

NASA: Solar System Facts. Our solar system is part of the Milky Way and orbits around the galaxy's center.

10 A dwarf planet

Also accept: Dwarf planet

NASA: About the Planets. Pluto is a dwarf planet.

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Our world

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01 Which ocean is the largest on Earth?

02 Which ocean is the smallest of the five named ocean basins?

03 What imaginary line circles Earth halfway between the North and South Poles?

04 On which continent is the South Pole?

05 What is land surrounded by water and smaller than a continent called?

06 What is a very dry region that gets little rain or snow called?

07 Which direction is opposite north?

08 On a standard map with north at the top, which direction is on the right?

09 What is the name of the world's highest mountain above sea level?

10 What is the name of a book of maps?

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Our world

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01 The Pacific Ocean

Also accept: Pacific

NOAA: What is the largest ocean basin on Earth?. The Pacific covers a larger area than any of Earth's other ocean basins.

02 The Arctic Ocean

Also accept: Arctic

NOAA: What is the world's smallest ocean?. The Arctic is the smallest of the five named basins that make up the global ocean.

03 The equator

Also accept: Equator

Merriam-Webster: Equator. The equator circles Earth at an equal distance from the North and South Poles.

04 Antarctica

NASA Space Place: What Is Antarctica?. The South Pole lies on Antarctica, a continent covered almost entirely by ice.

05 An island

Also accept: Island; isle

Merriam-Webster: Island. An island is smaller than a continent and has water around it on every side.

06 A desert

Also accept: Desert

National Park Service: Deserts, Great Basin National Park. Deserts can be hot or cold.

07 South

National Park Service: Compass Course. North and south are 180 degrees apart, putting them opposite each other.

08 East

National Park Service: Compass Course. With north at the top, east is to the right, south below and west to the left.

09 Mount Everest

Also accept: Everest

NOAA: What is the highest point on Earth as measured from Earth's center?. Everest has the highest summit above sea level; other height measures can differ.

10 An atlas

Also accept: Atlas

Merriam-Webster: Atlas. An atlas gathers maps into a book, often with extra geographic information.

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Everyday objects

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01 What drawing stick is made from colored wax?

02 What straight-edged tool is marked in units such as centimeters for measuring length?

03 What direction-finding tool has a needle that points toward magnetic north?

04 What fastener has two rows of teeth joined by a sliding piece?

05 What tool do you use to make a pencil's point sharp again?

06 What keyboard instrument makes sound when hammers strike strings?

07 What is the name for a tube-shaped instrument used to view distant stars?

08 What kitchen tool drains water through holes while holding food?

09 What object has a handle and a canopy that opens to keep rain off?

10 What kind of clock tells time with hour and minute hands?

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Everyday objects

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01 A crayon

Also accept: Crayon; wax crayon

Merriam-Webster: Crayon. A wax crayon is a stick of colored wax that leaves marks for writing or drawing.

02 A ruler

Also accept: Ruler; metric ruler

Merriam-Webster: Ruler. A ruler has a straight edge and marked units for drawing lines or measuring.

03 A compass

Also accept: Compass; magnetic compass

Merriam-Webster: Compass. A magnetic compass uses a freely turning needle to indicate magnetic north.

04 A zipper

Also accept: Zipper; zip

Merriam-Webster: Zipper. A zipper's sliding piece draws two rows of metal or plastic teeth together.

05 A pencil sharpener

Also accept: Pencil sharpener; sharpener

Merriam-Webster: Pencil sharpener. A pencil sharpener makes a pencil's tip sharp enough to use for writing.

06 A piano

Also accept: Piano; acoustic piano; grand piano; upright piano

Yamaha: Piano, Musical Instrument Guide. Pressing an acoustic piano key makes a hammer strike strings to produce sound.

07 A telescope

Also accept: Telescope

Merriam-Webster: Telescope. An optical telescope uses lenses or mirrors to gather light from distant objects.

08 A colander

Also accept: Colander; strainer; sieve

Merriam-Webster: Colander. A colander has holes that let liquid drain away while the food stays inside.

09 An umbrella

Also accept: Umbrella

Merriam-Webster: Umbrella. An umbrella's fabric covering opens on a hinged frame and folds for carrying.

10 An analog clock

Also accept: Analog clock; analogue clock

Merriam-Webster: Analog. An analog clock uses hour and minute hands to show the time on its dial.

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Words & numbers

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01 What is the plural of mouse when you mean the animal?

02 If a cup is filled to the top, is it empty or full?

03 Which word rhymes with cake: lake or lamp?

04 In English, what punctuation mark normally ends a direct question?

05 What do we call a word that reads the same forward and backward, such as level?

06 How many items are in one dozen?

07 How many sides does a hexagon have?

08 What is half of twenty?

09 What is the next number if you keep adding five: 5, 10, 15, ...?

10 How many minutes are in one hour?

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01 Mice

Merriam-Webster: Mouse. Mice is the plural for the animal; the computer device can also be called mouses.

02 Full

Also accept: Filled

Merriam-Webster Thesaurus: Empty. Full means the cup has been filled; empty means it has nothing inside.

03 Lake

Merriam-Webster: Lake. Cake and lake share the same ending sound: a long a followed by a k sound.

04 A question mark

Also accept: Question mark; ?

Merriam-Webster: Question mark. A question mark goes at the end of a sentence that asks a direct question.

05 A palindrome

Also accept: Palindrome

Merriam-Webster: Palindrome. A palindrome reads the same both ways; reversing the letters in level gives level.

06 Twelve

Also accept: 12

Merriam-Webster: Dozen. A dozen names a group of twelve items, so one dozen is exactly twelve.

07 Six

Also accept: 6

Merriam-Webster: Hexagon. A hexagon is a polygon with six straight sides and six angles at its corners.

08 Ten

Also accept: 10

Direct arithmetic check: 20 divided by 2. 20 divided by 2 equals 10. To check: two groups of 10 add back up to 20.

09 Twenty

Also accept: 20

Direct arithmetic check: 15 plus 5. $15 + 5 = 20$. The rule adds five each time, so 20 follows 5, 10 and 15.

10 Sixty

Also accept: 60

Merriam-Webster: Hour. One hour is made up of sixty minutes, so sixty minutes equals one hour.

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