

The Corona virus is impossible to explain to the animals here at the Wildlife Park, so they must be wondering why the Park is so quiet at the moment - even though the sun is shining! I wonder what their reaction will be when our gates open again (no date has been set just yet) and once again they have lots of visitors admiring them.



Acorn has had twins!

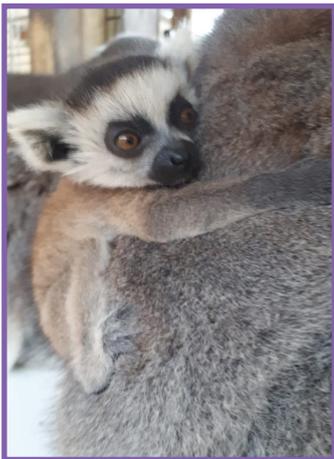
Imagine the excitement of Sarah the Head Keeper when she took the lemurs their breakfast, and spotted two tiny babies snuggling in Acorn's fur. She sent a WhatsApp message to all the Wildlife Park staff "Acorn has had twins!" That was such an exciting message to receive!

Acorn will carry her babies everywhere - even when she's leaping from branch to branch in the trees! Luckily she has very thick fur for the little ones to hold on to.

She will feed them with her milk until they are 2 -3 months old, then they will start to nibble fruit and leaves.

Questions:

- 1) Which is the only place on earth that lemurs live in the wild?
- 2) What do we call all animals that feed their babies on milk?



Animal Wordsearch

It's tricky - words can be up, down, or diagonal!

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i r l d n t n m
y w a w o i j o
o n d r u e r n
z o r g q q l k
j a n v g m c e
p e m a z h w y
p m e e r k a t
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| monkey | gibbon | owl |
| penguin | meerkat | parrot |

Whose dinner?

Clue: these spiky rodents have sharp front teeth, and they love to chomp on crunchy root vegetables.

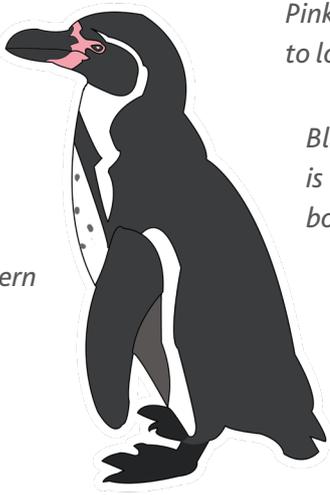


Which animal?
Unscramble the letters to find out!

w a c m a
r e d p i s y o n k e m
g i n k t r u e l u v



Strong sharp beak for grabbing fish



Pink cheeks - bare skin to lose body heat

Eyes see clearly underwater

Black and white pattern is for camouflage from both above & below

Different spot pattern for each penguin

fluffy warm feathers underneath, tiny waterproof ones on top

Stubby wings are flippers for fast swimming

Strong webbed feet help with swimming

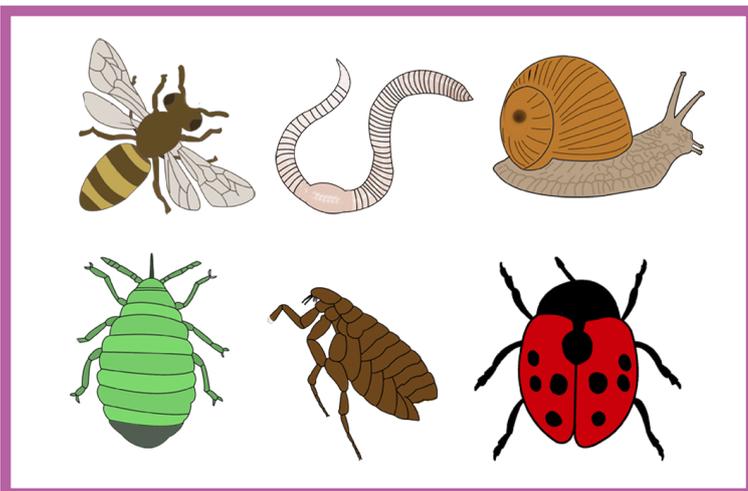
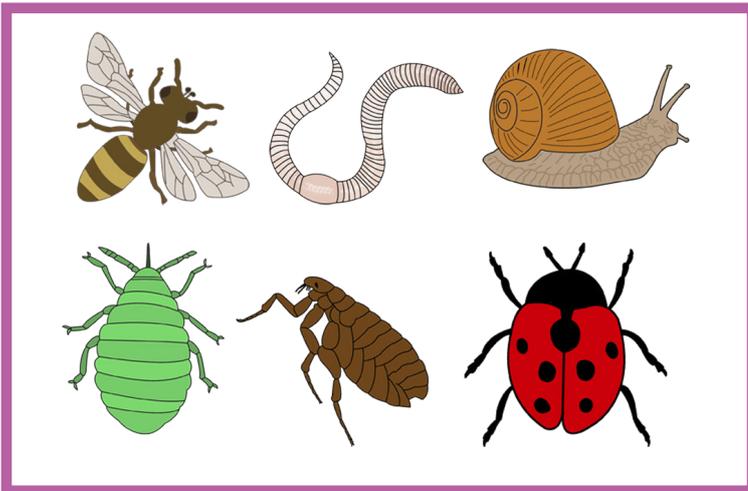
Short stumpy tail is a rudder for steering



Nooo! Humboldt penguins are classed as "vulnerable" which means they might soon be an endangered species.

Spot the Difference!

These two pictures look the same, but look VERY closely to spot 2 tiny differences in each animal.



Animal of the Week

Humboldt Penguin

Not all penguins are from the icy South Pole - Humboldt penguins come from the shores of Chile and Peru. It's quite hot there! They mate for life and nest in guano (squashed penguin poo). Chicks are fluffy and can't swim until they are a few months old.

Habitat

Chile and Peru - they swim in the Humboldt sea current.

Food in the Wild

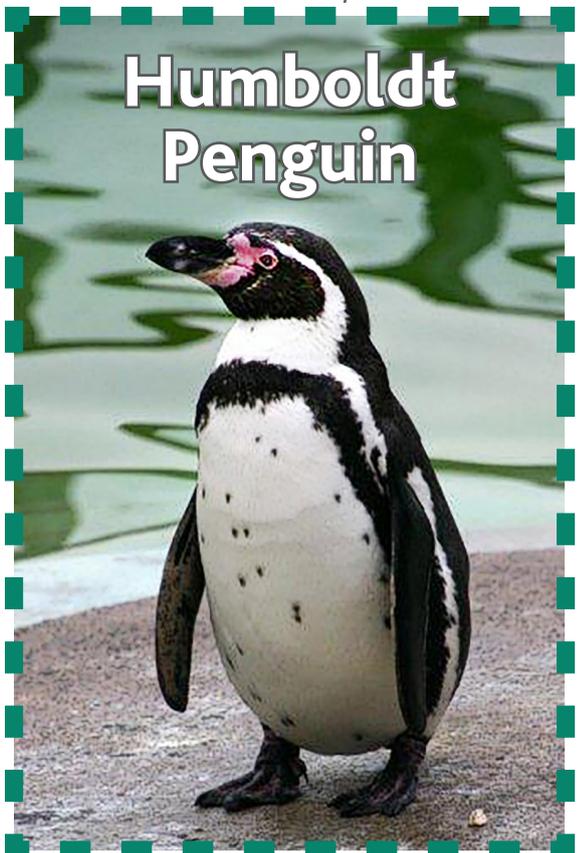
Fish such as anchovies. And shellfish called krill.

Superpower

They are brilliant underwater swimmers - essential to catch enough fish to eat.



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"Curraghs Wildlife Park Education" has a YouTube Channel - check it out!

Which animal: macaw, spider monkey, king vulture, Lemur questions: 1) Madagascar 2) marmosets; Whose dinner? the porcupine. Email Liz for answers to Spot the Difference & Wordsearch.