

Subject Verb Agreement in Australian Animal Paragraphs

Instructions: These paragraphs are mostly written using Present Simple Tense. The subject changes the verb in Present Simple. If the subject is singular, the verb changes. Add an s or es. Some are irregular like have/has. If the verb is 'to be', it will be is or are.



An emu is an interesting Australian bird. It is flightless, but it can run very fast. A male emu sits on the egg to keep the baby emu warm. It is not the only bird species that does this. The male Kiwi bird of New Zealand and the male penguin also sit on eggs.



Dingoes came to Australia with the first Aborigines. They are not dogs. They belong to the wolf family. A dingo is an important animal to the Aborigines. They were trained to guard the people and hunt for food.



An echidna is an interesting creature. It lays eggs and also feeds its babies milk. It breaks all the animal rules. It both is a member of the mammal family and lays eggs. Those animals that lay eggs are called monotremes. The echidna is the monotreme family.



Like the echidna, the platypus is a member of the monotreme family. It both lays eggs and feeds its babies milk. The platypus lives in and around fresh water lakes and rivers. It is the most interesting creature. It has webbed feet and a bill like a duck, but its body is covered in fur. Just like a duck, its webbed feet help it to swim and its bill helps it to find food in the muddy water. It sends out electric waves to see under water.

The photos come from this site and you can find more facts here:

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