

4. Guess the answers and match. Then, listen to the animal expert and check.



**Grammar Box: Superlatives**

We use them to describe an extreme quality in a group.

Form	Examples
One-syllable adjectives: add <b>-est</b> .	The peregrine falcon is <b>the fastest</b> flying bird in the world.
One-syllable adjectives ending in vowel + consonant: double the consonant and add <b>-est</b> .	The polar bear is <b>the biggest</b> land carnivore.
Most adjectives with two or more syllables: use <b>the most</b> before the adjective.	The inland taipan is <b>the most venomous</b> snake on Earth.
Two-syllable adjectives ending in <b>-y</b> : change the <b>y</b> to <b>i</b> and add <b>-est</b> .	Saltwater crocodiles are <b>the heaviest</b> reptiles on Earth.
Irregular adjectives: good – <b>the best</b> , bad – <b>the worst</b>	White sharks have <b>the best</b> sense of smell of all sharks.

**Heads Up!**

Saltwater crocs or "salties" are the **largest** of all crocodilians and can stay submerged for more than an hour.



5. Read the chart and complete the sentences with the words in the Word Bank in the correct form.

polar bear	giant panda	spectacled bear
 <p>Size: 2.5 m Weight: 410 kg</p>	 <p>Size: 1.5 m Weight: 136 kg</p>	 <p>Size: 1.8 m Weight: 125 kg</p>

- The spectacled bear is smaller than the polar bear, but the giant panda is the smallest of the three.
- The giant panda is                    than the spectacled bear, but the polar bear is the                    of the three.
- The giant panda is                    than the polar bear, but the spectacled bear is the                    of the three.
- The spectacled bear is                    than the giant panda, but the polar bear is the                    of the three.

**Word Bank**

- heavy
- large
- small
- light

6. In pairs, ask and answer the following questions.

a. What is **the most** colorful bird in your country?

b. What is **the most** dangerous amphibian on your continent?

c. What is **the most** amazing animal in the world for you?