

WORLD RECORDS

From the biggest spider to the tallest building. How much do you know about our world? Try this quiz to find out.

1 The highest waterfall in the world is Angel Falls in _____. It's 979 metres high. People sometimes jump from the top with a parachute!
a Canada **b** Venezuela **c** Norway

2 The world's biggest tree house is in the USA. It's got _____ rooms, but people don't live in them. It isn't safe.
a 30 **b** 50 **c** 80

3 The most dangerous snake in the world is the Belcher's sea snake. It lives in the sea in South East Asia. It can kill a person in _____.
a 30 seconds **b** 30 minutes **c** 2 hours

4 The biggest spider in the world is the Goliath Birdeater. It lives in the forests of _____. It's 28 centimetres long. But don't worry - it isn't dangerous to humans.
a Africa **b** Asia **c** South America

5 The Burj Khalifa in Dubai is the world's tallest building. It is 828 metres tall. People live there, and the world's highest _____ is on the 122nd floor.
a restaurant **b** swimming pool **c** zoo

6 This is Jonathan, the giant tortoise. He lives on the small island of Saint Helena and he's the oldest animal in the world. He's _____ years old.
a 150 **b** 185 **c** 270

1 What is a world record? What world records do you know?

2 **2.34** Do the World Records quiz. Then listen and check your answers.

3 Read the sentences. Circle true (T) or false (F). Correct the false sentences.

- The spider is more dangerous than the sea snake. **T / (F)**
The spider isn't dangerous to humans. / The sea snake is more dangerous than the spider.
- The Burj Khalifa is higher than Angel Falls. **T / F**
- The tortoise and the spider live on small islands. **T / F**
- More people live in the Burj Khalifa than in the tree house. **T / F**
- The spider and the snake live in the forest. **T / F**

LOOK!

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 It's 28 centimetres **long**.
 It's 828 metres **tall**.
 He's / She's 185 years **old**.

4 **2.35** Complete the sentences with the words in the box. Then listen and check.

272 cm tall 4,500 years old ~~6,853 km long~~ ~~8,848 m high~~

- Mount Everest is 8,848 m high.
- The River Nile is _____.
- The tallest man in history was _____.
- The Pyramids in Egypt are _____.

As a class, find out the answers.

- Who's the oldest/youngest?
- Who's got the longest hair?
- Who's got the biggest pet?
- Who's got the oldest brother or sister?

Fun Spot

Friday 24th May: School Records Competition

What do you think of world records? In my opinion, they are fun and interesting. Well, we have a School Records Competition every year. It is the funniest day of the year! Everyone can join the fun!

These are some records to beat:

- > Thomas Baker: He's the fastest runner. 100m in 14.4 seconds!
- > Katie Lancer: She's the most intelligent student. 19/20 questions correct in 5 minutes.
- > Mrs Price (our Maths teacher!): Her pizza is the longest of all: 80 centimetres long!
- > Daniella (Mr Nunn's pet cat!): She's the most beautiful pet of all. Bring your photos, not your pets!

Are you faster, taller, more intelligent or maybe funnier than your classmates?

Then come to the School Records Competition and be the best!

Check out the after school clubs website for all the records you can try. There are a lot of them!

Contact me: Gordon Butler for forms.

1 Read the text. What is the text about? Tick (✓).



2 Read the text again and write the names.

Who ...

- 1 is the fastest runner? Thomas Baker
- 2 has the competition forms? _____
- 3 is the cleverest person? _____
- 4 has the most beautiful pet? _____
- 5 can make the longest pizza? _____

3 Read the text again. Answer the questions.

- 1 What's the name of the competition?
School Records Competition
- 2 When is the competition? _____
- 3 What does Gordon think of world records?

- 4 Who can join the fun? _____
- 5 Where can you find all the records?

- 6 How many records are there to try?

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4 Match 1-5 to a-e.

- 1 My parents
- 2 The Eiffel tower
- 3 My baby sister
- 4 My dad
- 5 This ruler

- a is 12 months old.
b are 42 years old.
c is 324 metres high.
d is 30 centimetres long.
e is 1 metre 80 centimetres tall.