

Competence Test (Review)

Unit 5 – Impact 2

Read. Complete the sentences with words from the box.

adapt	conditions	creatures	harsh	mammals
oxygen	remarkable	thrive	variety	

(1) _____, like polar bears, are not the only kind of animals that can live in (2) _____. (3) _____. There are a (4) _____ of (5) _____ that (6) _____ in extreme environment _____.

The World's Most Wonderful Creatures

We Should Thank Spiders, Not Squash Them
By Stacey Parks

Some people don't think ugly or creepy creatures are as important as cute animals. But these people are wrong. Sometimes creepy animals are even more important than cuddly ones.

For example, many people treat spiders like they don't matter. They step on them and kill them as fast as you can say "Gotcha!" They don't realize that spiders are an important part of our environment.

Spiders are nature's bug spray! A spider eats about 2,000 insects a year! All spiders, whether as tiny as the end of a pencil or as big as a hand, eat insects. Without spiders, a lot more bugs like cockroaches and mosquitoes would thrive. Cockroaches and mosquitoes can carry disease, so think twice before you smack that spider with a newspaper.

Gardeners and farmers like spiders because spiders eat insects that would otherwise eat the plants and foods they grow.

Spiders are also important because their venom, or poison, has healing powers. Scientists are studying spider venom to see how it can cure certain diseases.

So, the next time you see a spider and want to stomp on it, say "Thank you!" instead!



Choose the best answer!

These followings are the advantages of killing spiders, except:

- A. Saving farmers crop
- B. Providing medicine for curing illness
- C. Reducing numbers of insect
- D. People won't be afraid anymore with spiders

BIZARRE CREATURES

A fruit bat, called the Yoda Bat, has recently been discovered in the rainforest of Papua New Guinea. It is called the Yoda Bat because its big, pointy ears make it look like the *Star Wars* character, Yoda. The Yoda Bat also has large, yellow eyes and large, open nostrils that add to its bizarre appearance. Since the Yoda Bat is a recent discovery, scientists have not had much time to study it and learn about its diet. They do know, however, that the Yoda Bat eats fruits that grow in the rainforest.



With big, front claws and long tails, scorpions look scary. These very adaptable creatures exist all over the world in deserts and forests. A scorpion's typical meal is made up of insects. But they also eat a variety of other things, including small mammals, reptiles, and birds. When scorpions can't find food, they can slow their bodies down and survive on as little as one insect a year. They also have the remarkable ability to use very little oxygen. These abilities help scorpions thrive in some of the planet's harshest environments. The only conditions that scorpions can't handle are environments that lack soil or dirt. This is because they burrow, or dig, under the ground.

The anglerfish sure is ugly. These fish have big heads and giant mouths full of teeth you can see through. Their most remarkable feature is a rod-like spine that sticks out and hangs over their head. This rod is much like a fishing pole. It gives off a light that attracts small fish for the angler fish to eat. Anglerfish are normally about 30 cm (11 in.) long, but can grow up to 1 m (3 ft.). They live in the dark, cold depths of the Atlantic and Antarctic oceans.



Read and write. You have read about six bizarre creatures. Answer the questions about them below.

1. Which of the animals do you think is the ugliest? Why?

2. Which of the animals do you think is the most remarkable? Why?

3. choose all the correct statements of scorpions.

- A. it can live in all conditions
- B. it can survive without food for a year
- C. it spends a lot of oxygen
- D. it only eats insect

4. choose all the correct statements about Yoda bat

- A. The scientist haven't known the food of Yoda
- B. it has features that similar to Star Wars characters
- C. it is omnivorous
- D. it has typical appearance like other bats

5. choose all the correct statements about angler fish spine

- A. it can grow up to 30 cm
- B. it sticks out on its nose
- C. it produces lights
- D. it can attract angler fish prey

6. these informations are presented in the text, except...(choose the best answer)!

- A. animals habitat
- B. animals food
- C. animals appearance
- D. animals researchers

Listen and decide whether this sentence is TRUE OR FALSE

1. All animals can survive in harsh environment.

2. Extremophiles can live though we remove it from harsh environment.

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