3 VOCABULARY AND LISTENING • Amazing animals

I can understand a podcast about animal skills.

THINK! **Name three fast-running animals.**

Animal skills quiz

Some animals are fast, some are big and strong. Some are intelligent, some are dangerous. What do you know about animals and their skills?



1 Can elephants [1]_____ with their ears and their feet?
a. Yes, they can.
b. No, they can't.
c. Some can and some can't.

2 How big can a gorilla [2]_____?
a. 150 kilos
b. 200 kilos
c. 250 kilos

3 Some scorpions are dangerous. Can a scorpion [3]_____ a human?
a. Yes, it can.
b. No, it can't.
c. Some can and some can't.

4 Camels don't [4]_____ a lot of water. How many months can a camel [5]_____ without water?
a. Three months
b. Six months
c. Nine months

5 How far can an eagle [6]_____? It can [7]_____ a small animal from a distance of
a. 500 metres.
b. one kilometre.
c. more than one kilometre.

6 Ostriches can't [8]_____, but how fast can they [9]_____?
a. Six kilometres an hour
b. Sixteen kilometres an hour
c. Sixty-five kilometres an hour

1 1.34 **Check the meanings of the verbs in the box. Look at the quiz and complete the questions with eight of the verbs. Listen and check your answers.**

swim drink hear communicate fly jump survive kill climb grow move run see (×2)

2 **Work in pairs. Answer questions 1–6 in the quiz.**

3 1.35 **Listen to a podcast about the animals in the quiz and check your answers. How many correct answers have you got?**

SKILLS STRATEGY

How to do the listening quiz:
- First, read all the questions and options.
- Next, predict the general meaning of the text.
- Then, focus on the detail you need and then choose the correct option.

4 1.35 **Read the Skills Strategy and listen again. What two extra pieces of information do you hear? Choose from a–d.**

a. Scorpions are intelligent.
b. Some of the smallest scorpions are the most dangerous.
c. Ostriches are the heaviest, fastest, and tallest birds.
d. Some monkeys can speak.

5 USE IT! **Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions about the animals in unit 3. Who can answer the most questions?**

1 Which animal moves very quickly?
2 Which animal doesn't run, fly or swim?
3 Which animal jumps and swims?
4 Which animal doesn't grow bigger than this book?
5 Which animal doesn't drink a lot of water?
6 Which animal climbs better than a gorilla?

Finished?

Look at exercise 5 again and write more questions using the verbs in exercise 1 and the animals in unit 3.



LIVEWORKSHEETS

3 LANGUAGE FOCUS • *can* for ability • *might* • Questions with *How ... ?*

I can talk about abilities.

can for ability

1 **Complete the examples from the quiz on page 42. Then choose the correct answers in Rules 1–4.**

An eagle [1] ..... see a small animal from a great distance.
Ostriches [2] ..... fly.
[3] ..... a scorpion kill a human? Yes, it [4] ..... . / No, it [5] ..... .
[6] ..... elephants hear with their ears and their feet? Yes, they [7] ..... . / No, they [8] ..... .



RULES

1 We use *can* / *can't* in affirmative sentences.
2 We use *can* / *can't* in negative sentences.
3 We use *do* and *does* / *can* and *can't* in questions and short answers.
4 The *he* / *she* / *it* forms of *can* are **different** / **the same**.

2 **Complete the dialogue with *can* and *can't*.**

Parrot I'm very intelligent. I [1] *can* speak five languages.
Snake [2] ..... you speak human languages?
Parrot Yes, I [3] ..... . Can you speak many languages?
Snake No, I [4] ....., but I [5] ..... eat animals which are bigger than me.
Parrot Oh!



might

3 **Look at the examples of sentences with *might*. Then choose the correct answers in the Rules.**

Be careful, it's a scorpion. It might be dangerous.
We might see a bear in the national park.

RULES

We use *might* when we **know** / **don't know** if something is true.
The *he* / *she* / *it* forms of *might* are **different** / **the same**.

Questions with *How ... ?*

4 1.36 **Complete the quiz questions with the words in the box. Then listen and check.**

far long tall ~~heavy~~ fast many

... is a new baby?
How heavy is a new baby?

1 ... can the fastest person run?
2 ... countries are there in the world?
3 ... is an adult giraffe?
4 ... is an adult crocodile?
5 ... is the North Pole from the South Pole?

5 **Look at the Key Phrases. Answer the questions in exercise 4 with the information in the box. Use the Key Phrases. Then compare with a partner.**

KEY PHRASES

Estimating

A new baby is usually **between** 2.5 and 4.5 kilos.
Gorillas can grow to **around** 250 kilos.
Camels can survive **about** six months without water.

~~2.5 and 4.5 kilos~~ 44 kilometres an hour
5 and 6 metres 4 metres 195
20,014 kilometres

I think that a new baby is between 2.5 and 4.5 kilos.

6 **USE IT!** **Ask and answer questions with *How ... ?*. Find people in the class with the same answers as yours.**

How far can you swim?

I can swim about 100 metres.

How far ... ? How tall ... ?
How fast ... ? How many ... ?

Finished?

Invent more questions for the quiz in exercise 4.

LIVEWORKSHEETS