

1 Read the texts and complete the table.

The blue whale is the biggest living thing on the planet and it calls the loudest – you can hear it more than 1,000 km away! It can swim at 50 km an hour (km/h) for short distances but it doesn't usually swim very fast. However, it travels 8,000 km away from its home area every year. It can't see well but it can hear very well.



The cheetah runs faster than any other animal, reaching a speed of 110 km/h for short distances. It can see and hear quite well. It sometimes travels about 10–40 km from its home area to find food. The cheetah makes a lot of different noises but you can't hear these very far away – only about 100 m.



The ostrich can run at 70 km/h for short distances, which makes it the fastest living thing on two legs. It can hear well and, with its big eyes, it can see better than almost all other animals and birds. It calls so loudly you can hear it 5 km away. It usually stays near its home area and travels only 5–10 km away.



	Blue whale	Cheetah	Ostrich
how fast it runs/swims	50 km/h	³	⁵
how far it travels	8,000 km	10–40 km	⁶
how loudly it calls (how far away you can hear it)	¹ 1,000 km	100 m	5 km
how well it sees	not well	⁴	very well
how well it hears	²	quite well	well



2 Write questions about the animals in Exercise 1. Use the comparative and superlative form of the adverbs. Then answer the questions.

- 1 which / the three animals / travel / far?
A: *Which of the three animals travels the furthest?*
B: *The blue whale.*
- 2 which / the three animals / can see / well?
A:
B:
- 3 which / can run / fast / – cheetah / or / ostrich?
A:
B:
- 4 which / the three animals / calls / quietly?
A:
B:
- 5 which animal / can hear / well / than / can see?
A:
B:

