

3 Endangered Animals

The animal kingdom is so large that we do not know how many of each type of animals are actually there in the world. Only when some animal species become quite less in number, we realize they are in danger of becoming extinct.

Read the description given below and write the names of these endangered animals using the help box.

Do You Know?

The WWF (short for-World Wide Fund for Nature) is an international organization that works continuously to conserve animal habitats.

5 Giant Panda 6 Koala Bear 1 Snow Leopard 7 Porcupine 3 Angora Rabbit 2 Bengal Tiger 4 Rhinoceros



1. This endangered animal from cat family has a soft and thick fur. It is found in the southern slopes of the Himalayas.



2. This national animal is fast reducing in number because of the demand for its various body parts in the global market.



3. This endangered animal is poached for obtaining its precious wool.



4. This endangered animal is mostly killed for its horn. Its meat and bones are used for making medicines in China, Japan and Korea.



5. This endangered animal is the emblem of the WWF. It is a very rare animal found only in the mountainous forests of central China.



6. This endangered animal is an Australian tree climbing animal that is hunted only for its skin.

7. The quills of this endangered animal are used for making fancy artefacts.

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Class - IV, Sub. - G.K, Lesson - 4 'Grouping Together'

Animals are categorised into different groups on the basis of one or more similar characteristics.

(Fill in the blanks)

Write their group names.

1. These animals are well adapted to live both on land and in water. Amphibians
2. They give birth to their young ones and have hair on their body. Mammals
3. They have six legs, two antennae and a head, thorax and abdomen. Insects
4. These animals nurse and carry their young ones inside their abdominal pouch. Marsupials
5. Their bodies are covered with scales and they cannot regulate their body temperature. Reptiles

(Insects are the largest group of animals found on earth.)



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In Order to Survive

An adaptation is a special skill which helps an animal to live and survive in a particular habitat. Animals largely depend on their physical features that help them obtain food, build home to keep safe and resist weather conditions.

Given below are certain adaptations seen in some animals. Read the clues and write their names.

Do You Know?

Aye-Ayes of Madagascar have a number of adaptations for nocturnal living.



1 This animal uses its trunk to drink water, gather food and bathe. It uses its tusks for protection and defence. Elephant



2 This animal usually lives in family groups because they are weak alone. They have unique stripes to recognize each other. Zebra



3 When this amphibian spots a meal, it shoots its long and sticky tongue towards it. When the tongue sticks to the meal, it pulls it back to the mouth. Frog



4 It is a flightless bird of polar region and is a great swimmer. Its webbed feet and streamlined body helps it swim swiftly in water. Penguin



5 This animal has thick, white fur which helps it camouflage in ice and snow. Its skin is black to absorb heat from sun rays to keep it warm. Polar Bear



6 This animal can tolerate extreme temperatures whether it is cold or hot. It can live without food and water for many days. Camel