

**QUIZ** *Answers on page 44*

Hi everyone, this is my last quiz for IDA so I thought I'd make a bumper animals special as a thank you and goodbye – Ben.

**1** How many rows of teeth does the Tuatara have?

- A. 2
  - B. 3
  - C. 4
  - D. None – they have a beak
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**2** Which of the following birds is unfortunately now extinct?

- A. The takahē
  - B. The weka
  - C. The kea
  - D. The moa
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**3** How many stomachs does a platypus have?

- A. None
  - B. 1
  - C. 2
  - D. 4
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**4** What is the official name used for a baby echidna?

- A. An echitten
  - B. A puggle
  - C. A boggle
  - D. A guppy
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**5** One nickname for the smelt is 'cucumber fish', is this because they

- A. Taste like cucumber?
  - B. Are shaped like a cucumber?
  - C. Are the colour of a cucumber?
  - D. Smell like cucumber?
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**6** What kind of kangaroo is TV-star Skippy?

- A. Forester
  - B. She's not a kangaroo, she's a Bennett's Wallaby
  - C. Western Grey
  - D. Red
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**7** The marsupial, walpurti, is most commonly known as what?

- A. Bandicoot
- B. Quokka
- C. Quoll
- D. Numbat

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**8** Congratulations to this year's winner of Aotearoa New Zealand Bird of the Year! However, which bird was caught cheating this year with a large amount of illegal votes?

- A. kākāpō
- B. kiwi pukupuku (little spotted kiwi)
- C. hoiho (yellow-eyed penguin)
- D. kererū

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**9** One of Aotearoa New Zealand's endemic species of shark is a species of catshark. Why does these sharks have that name?

- A. They have 'claws' on their pectoral fins
- B. Fear of dogfish
- C. Their eyes look like a cat's
- D. They hunt alone

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**10** Can a goanna regrow a missing tail?

- A. Yes
  - B. No
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## QUIZ ANSWERS

**Question 1:** **B. 3**

Two on the upper jaw and one on the bottom. When a Tuatara closes its mouth the row of bottom teeth sits between the two rows of upper teeth.

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**Question 2:** **D. The moa**

But the other three are all considered threatened.

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**Question 3:** **A. None**

Echidnas also don't have a stomach; their food goes straight from the gullet to the intestines.

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**Question 4:** **B. A puggle**

Again, something shared with the platypus whose babies are also puggles.

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**Question 5:** **D. Smell like cucumber**

I guess they probably taste like fish...

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**Question 6:** **A. Forester**

Also known as the Eastern Grey Kangaroo.

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**Question 7:** **D. Numbat**

And in Noongar, it's noombat.

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**Question 8:** **B. kiwi pukupuku (little spotted kiwi)**

1500 votes from different email addresses but all from the same computer – the fraud was easily spotted.

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**Question 9:** **C. Its eyes look like a cat's**

Dogfish and catshark are often names used for the same species of fish, and they usually hunt in packs.

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**Question 10:** **B. No**

So many other lizard species can – but not the goanna.

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