



ANIMALS AT WORK

Animals Communicating

Animals at Work is an informative way to look at the lives of animals, particularly at a time when the hard work of survival is becoming even harder because of habitat destruction and climate change.

What did you learn?

QUESTIONS

1. A male bird's plumage changes with ...
 - a. The seasons
 - b. The weather
 - c. Age
 - d. Emotions
2. To make a strong social structure, apes and monkeys use ...
 - a. Grooming
 - b. Running
 - c. Hiding
 - d. Hunting
3. Foraging is ...
 - a. Having power of influence over the another
 - b. Searching for food
 - c. To lay eggs and fertilize eggs in water
 - d. An animal with a backbone
4. A lion's roar can be heard up to ...
 - a. 5 miles away
 - b. 10 miles away
 - c. 20 miles away
 - d. 40 miles away
5. What is *plumage*?
6. What is *musk*?

TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ | 1. Bird parents are more likely to give more food to the weakest chick to help it survive. | _____ | 4. African elephants mostly live alone. |
| _____ | 2. Usually, only female songbirds sing. | _____ | 5. Chameleons turn bright colors when they are ready to mate or fight. |
| _____ | 3. Insects have no vocal organs. | _____ | 6. An instinct is something that an animal has to learn. |

ANSWERS

- 1. c. Age.** According to the section "Visual Communication" on page 8, we know that "A male bird's plumage changes with its age." So, the correct answer is C.
- 2. a. Grooming.** According to the section "Touch and Feel" on page 36, we know that "Monkeys and apes that live in groups often use grooming as a way of strengthening their social structure." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. b. Searching for food.** According to the section "Glossary" on page 46, we know that "foraging is searching for food." So, the correct answer is B.
- 4. a. 5 miles.** According to the section "Using Sound" on page 20, we know that "A lion's roar can be heard up to 5 miles away." So, the correct answer is A.
- 5.** According to page 46, *plumage* is "a bird's feathers."
- 6.** According to page 46, *musk* is "a distinct scent given off by certain animals."

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to the section "Using Sound" on page 16, we know that "When food is scarce, a parent might give what little food it can find to the strongest chick, to make sure that at least one of its offspring survives." So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. False.** According to the section "Using Sound" on page 17, we know that "Usually only male songbirds sing." So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. True.** According to the section "Using Sound" on page 22, we know that "Insects have no vocal organs." So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. False.** According to the section "Touch and Feel" on page 40, we know that "African elephants mostly live in family groups." So, the correct answer is False.
- 5. True.** According to the section "Visual Communications" on page 9, we know that "Chameleons turn bright colors when they are ready to mate or fight." So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. False.** According to the section "Visual Communications" on page 12, we know that "An instinct is something an animal is born knowing how to do." So, the correct answer is False.