



## ANIMAL LIVES

# AMPHIBIANS

Which frog is more poisonous than the deadliest snake? Why do toads have bumpy skin? How are amphibians related to fish? Read *Amphibians* to find out!

### What did you learn?

#### QUESTIONS

1. Most amphibians live in ...
  - a. Warm areas
  - b. Cold areas
  - c. Dry areas
  - d. Windy areas
2. The amphibian that is more poisonous than the deadliest snake is called a ...
  - a. Surinam toad
  - b. South American golden dart frog
  - c. Tree frog
  - d. Pacman toad
3. The amphibian that has grooves along its body that helps it move through the soil is called a ...
  - a. Shovel-nosed frog
  - b. Mexican burrowing frog
  - c. Spadefoot frog
  - d. Caecilian
4. Chinese salamanders are considered a special treat to eat in ...
  - a. Europe
  - b. Asia
  - c. North America
  - d. Australia
5. What is the world's largest amphibian?
6. What does *nocturnal* mean?

#### TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ 1. Amphibians are covered with scales.                              | _____ 4. Many frogs can freeze solid and survive.              |
| _____ 2. Amphibians are vertebrates.                                      | _____ 5. Tree frogs tend to be heavy.                          |
| _____ 3. Sight or smell is often the most important sense for amphibians. | _____ 6. It is illegal to hunt endangered amphibians in China. |



## ANSWERS

- 1. a. Warm areas.** According to section "What Are Amphibians?" on page 4, we know that "Most amphibians live in warm, wet areas." So, the correct answer is A.
- 2. b. South American golden dart frog.** According to section "How Do Amphibians Hunt and Escape?" on page 28, we know that "The South American golden dart frog is more poisonous than the deadliest snake." So, the correct answer is B.
- 3. d. Caecilian.** According to section "What Amphibians Live Underground?" on page 35, we know that "The grooves along a caecilian's body are an adaptation that helps it move through the soil." So, the correct answer is D.
- 4. b. Asia.** According to section "Why Are Some Amphibians Endangered?" on page 28, we know that "In Asia, the meat of the Chinese giant salamander is considered a special treat." So, the correct answer is B.
- 5.** According to page 33, the "Chinese giant salamander is the largest amphibian in the world."
- 6.** According to page 46, nocturnal means "active at night."

## TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to section "How Are Amphibians Different from Reptiles?" on page 8, we know that "Amphibians do not have scales." So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. True.** According to section "What Are Features of Amphibians?" on page 10, we know that "All amphibians are vertebrates (animals that have backbones), and most have four legs." So, the correct answer is True.
- 3. True.** According to section "What Senses Do Amphibians Have?" on page 20, we know that "Sight or smell is often the most important sense for amphibians." So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. True.** According to section "Do Amphibians Hibernate?" on page 30, we know that "Amazingly, many frogs can freeze solid and survive." So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. False.** According to section "What Amphibians Live in Trees?" on page 36, we know that "Tree frogs tend to be light, so twigs can support their weight." So, the correct answer is False.
- 6. True.** According to section "How Can We Protect Amphibians?" on page 42, we know that "Countries like China have made it illegal to hunt endangered amphibians." So, the correct answer is True.