

### LEARNING LADDERS

# **Animal Babies**

In Animal Babies, learn about the different ways that animal babies live, learn, and grow.

## What did you learn?

QUESTIONS 1. Bear cubs spend the winter in ... 4. The outback is a wild and beautiful area of ... a. The jungle a. India b. A den b. China c. The city c. Canada d. A tree d. Australia 2. Baby salmon have a yolk sac attached to their bodies. The yolk sac contains ... 5. What is the name of a baby koala? a. Eggs 6. Do crocodiles lay eggs? b. Toys c. Food d. Water 3. Once a penguin egg hatches, the chick is kept safe by its ... a. Grandmother b. Grandfather c. Mother d. Father TRUE OR FALSE? 1. Young opossum kits travel by 4. A baby kangaroo is called a riding on their mother's tail. joey. 5. The platypus uses its bill to scoop 2. As tadpoles grow into adult frogs, they never lose their tails. up worms and shellfish from the bottom of streams. 3. Cicadas live underground for years as their bodies grow and 6. The bearded lizard digs a hole to



use as a nest.

change.

#### **ANSWERS**

- 1. b. A den. According to section "Bear" on page 4, we know that "They spent the long winter in a den with their mother, drinking her milk while she slept." So, the correct answer is B.
- **2. c. Food.** According to section "Fish" on page 10, we know that "The yolk sac contains food." So, the correct answer is C.
- **3. d. Father.** According to section "Bird" on page 18, we know that "After the egg hatches, the father keeps the chick safe and warm in this cozy 'nest' until the mother returns." So, the correct answer is D.
- **4. d. Australia.** According to section "Babes in the outback" on page 24, we know that "The outback is a wild and beautiful area of Australia." So, the correct answer is D.
- **5.** According to page 17, a baby koala is also called a joey.
- **6.** Yes. According to page 26, crocodiles do lay eggs.

#### TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- **1. False.** According to section "Opossum" on page 7, we know that "Young opossum kits travel by riding on their mother's back." So, the correct answer is False.
- **2. False.** According to section "Frog" on page 9, we know that "The tail disappears into the body." So, the correct answer is False.
- **3. True.** According to section "Insect" on page 12, we know that "The cicada lived underground for years as its body grew and changed." So, the correct answer is True.
- **4. True.** According to section "Kangaroo" on page 16, we know that "A baby kangaroo is called a joey." So, the correct answer is True.
- **5. True.** According to section "Platypus" on page 21, we know that "The platypus uses its bill to scoop up worms and shellfish from the bottom of streams." So, the correct answer is True.
- **6. True.** According to section "Lizard" on page 22, we know that "When a mother bearded dragon is ready to lay eggs, she digs a hole for a nest." So, the correct answer is True.