



Where in the World Can I Swim with a Manta Ray?

Where in the World Can I Swim with a Manta Ray? describes manta rays and other rays and visits places around the world where you can swim with manta rays!

What did you learn?

QUESTIONS

1. The number of species of manta Ray is ...
 - a. 3
 - b. 5
 - c. 2
 - d. 10
2. The largest manta ray weighed ...
 - a. 6,000 lb
 - b. 1,000 lb
 - c. 4,000 lb
 - d. 3,000 lb
3. The world's largest ecosystem and where many manta rays call home is called ...
 - a. The Great Wall Reef
 - b. The Great Manta Reef
 - c. The Great Barrier Reef
 - d. The Great Coral Reef
4. The part of a stingray used by ancient dentists to numb people's mouths was ...
 - a. Blood
 - b. Skin
 - c. Saliva
 - d. Venom
5. The word *manta* comes from the Spanish word for what?
6. In which African country is Manta Coast?

TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ 1. Manta rays are a type of fish. | _____ 4. Rays have bones, unlike sharks. |
| _____ 2. Manta rays have the largest brain of any fish. | _____ 5. Most female rays lay eggs. |
| _____ 3. Global warming has impacted the corals. | _____ 6. Electric rays are the gentle giants of the ocean. |

ANSWERS

- 1. c. 2.** According to the section "Manta Rays" on page 18, we know that "There are two species, or kinds, of manta rays." So, the correct answer is C.
- 2. a. 6,000 lb.** According to the section "Manta Rays" on page 22, we know that "The largest manta ray scientists have discovered weighed 6,000 pounds (2,700 kilograms)!" So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. c. The Great Barrier Reef.** According to the section "Other Places to See or Swim With Manta Rays" on page 36 and 37, we know that "The Great Barrier Reef is the world's largest system of coral reefs" and "Hundreds of manta rays call the Great Barrier Reef home." So, the correct answer is C.
- 4. d. Venom.** According to the section "What Is a Ray?" on page 9, we know that "In ancient Greece, stingray venom, or poison, was used by ancient dentists to numb people's mouths!" So, the correct answer is D.
- 5.** According to page 14, the word *manta* comes from the Spanish word for *cloak* or *blanket*.
- 6.** According to page 40, Manta Coast is in Mozambique.

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. True.** According to the section "What Is a Ray?" on page 6, we know that "A ray is a type of fish." So, the correct answer is True.
- 2. True.** According to the section "Manta Rays" on page 23, we know that "Manta rays have the largest brain of any fish." So, the correct answer is True.
- 3. True.** According to the section "Other Places to See or Swim With Manta Rays" on page 38, we know that "Today, the Great Barrier Reef is threatened by a process called coral *bleaching*. It is caused by *global warming*, a rise in Earth's average temperature" So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. False.** According to the section "What Is a Ray?" on page 10, we know that "Like sharks, rays have no bones in their body. Instead, their skeleton is made of *cartilage*." So, the correct answer is False.
- 5. False.** According to the section "What Is a Ray?" on page 12, we know that "But almost every kind of female ray hatches eggs inside her body." So, the correct answer is False.
- 6. False.** According to the section "What Is a Ray?" on page 13, we know that "... one ray stands out from all the rest: the manta ray. These fish are gentle giants of the ocean!" So, the correct answer is False.