

## ANIMALS OF THE WORLD

# Salmon and Other Bony Fish

What makes a salmon a bony fish? What is a salmon fry? Read Salmon and Other Bony Fish to find out!

What did you learn?

### **QUESTIONS**

- 1. Most adult salmon lie along the coast of the ...
  - a. South Atlantic Ocean
  - b. South Pacific Ocean
  - c. North Atlantic Ocean
  - d. North Pacific Ocean
- 2. Salmon typically grow to a length of ...
  - a. 2 feet
  - b. 3 ½ feet
  - c. 4 feet
  - d. 5 ½ feet
- 3. The type of fish that can walk on land is the ...
  - a. Salmon
  - b. Walking catfish
  - c. Eel
  - d. Flyingfish

- 4. Swordfish weigh about ...
  - a. 50 to 100 pounds
  - b. 100 to 150 pounds
  - c. 150 to 300 pounds
  - d. 300 to 400 pounds
- 5. What type of fish is this?



6. What type of fish is this?



TRUE OR FALSE?						
	_ 1. Fish are vertebrates.		4. Eels are a type of snake.			
	2. A salmon is called an alevin when it is big enough to leave its nest.		<ol><li>Porcupinefish live in the warm waters of the Atlantic, Pacfic, and Indian oceans.</li></ol>			
	_ 3. Salmon must swim downstream to return to their home streams.		<ol><li>Some types of salmon are now endangered.</li></ol>			



#### **ANSWERS**

- 1. d. North Pacific Ocean. According to section "Where in the World Do Bony Fish Live?" on page 8, we know that "Most adult salmon live along the coast of the North Pacfic Ocean." So, the correct answer is D.
- 2. a. 2 feet. According to section "What Do Adult Salmon Look Like?" on page 12, we know that "Typical salmon grow to a length of about 2 feet (61 centimeters) and weigh about 10 pounds (4.5 kilograms)." So, the correct answer is A.
- **3. b. Walking catfish.** According to section "What Fish Can Walk On Land?" on page 30, we know that "The most unusual catfish is the walking catfish, found in Southeast Asia. It can crawl on land and walk from lake or pond to another." So, the correct answer is B.
- 4. c. 150 to 300 pounds. According to section "How Does a Swordfish Use Its Sword?" on page 46, we know that "Most swordfish are 5 to 8 feet (1.5 to 2.4 meters) long. They weigh about 150 to 300 pounds (70 to 140 kilograms)." So, the correct answer is C.
- **5.** According to page 41, this photo shows a porcupine fish.
- **6.** According to page 49, this photo shows a great barracuda.

#### **TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS**

- 1. True. According to section "What Is a Bony Fish?" on page 6, we know that "Fish are vertebrates, which are animals with backbones." So, the correct answer is True.
- **2. False.** According to section "What Is a Salmon Fry?" on page 18, we know that "By the spring, a baby salmon is big enough to leave its nest. When it is ready to do this, it is called a fry." So, the correct answer is False.
- **3. False.** According to section "How Do Salmon Return Home?" on page 22, we know that "The trip home is very hard ... The salmon must swim upstream, against the water current." So, the correct answer is False.
- **4. False.** According to section "Are Eels Snakes or Fish?" on page 32, we know that "Eels may look like snakes, but they are not related to those slithery reptiles at all. Eels are actually fish." So, the correct answer is False.
- **5. True.** According to section "Why Does a Porcupinefish Puff Up?" on page 40, we know that "Porcupinefish are about 10 to 12 inches (25 to 30 centimeters) long and live in the warm waters of the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian oceans." So, the correct answer is True.
- **6. True.** According to section "Are Bony Fish in Danger?" on page 60, we know that "Each year, fishermen from Canada, Norway, Japan, the United States, Chile, and Russia catch millions of salmon. As a result, some types of salmon are now endangered." So, the correct answer is True.

