



## ANIMALS OF THE WORLD

# Sea Turtles and Other Shelled Reptiles

Do sea turtles have teeth? Where do sea turtles lay their eggs? Which tortoise can flatten itself like a pancake? Read *Sea Turtles and Other Shelled Reptiles* to find out!

### What did you learn?

#### QUESTIONS

- Turtles do not live in places that are ...
  - Under the water
  - Lush and green
  - Hot and sandy
  - Cold all year long
- Green turtles can zip through the water at nearly ...
  - 30 miles per hour
  - 20 miles per hour
  - 100 miles per hour
  - 40 miles per hour
- Some adult tortoises can weigh more than ...
  - 600 pounds
  - 700 pounds
  - 800 pounds
  - 900 pounds
- Diamondback terrapins live along the ...
  - Eastern and southern coast of the United States
  - Coasts of Mexico
  - Western coasts of the United States
  - Southern coasts of Argentina
- What is a *predator*?
- What is *prey*?

#### TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ 1. Turtles are cold-blooded.                   | _____ 4. Sea turtles can live to be 80 years old.                       |
| _____ 2. Sea turtles have hundreds of teeth.         | _____ 5. The speckled padloper is found in Africa.                      |
| _____ 3. Sea turtles lay their eggs under the water. | _____ 6. The Australian snake-necked turtle grows to about 2 feet long. |



## ANSWERS

- 1. d. Cold all year long.** According to section "Where in the World Do Turtles Live?" on page 8, we know that "Since turtles are cold-blooded, they cannot live in places that are cold all year long." So, the correct answer is D.
- 2. b. 20 miles per hour.** According to section "Are Sea Turtles Slow?" on page 16, we know that "Green turtles, like the one you see here, can zip through the water at nearly 20 miles (32 kilometers) per hour." So, the correct answer is B.
- 3. a. 600 pounds.** According to section "How Big Do Tortoises Get?" on page 32, we know that "The Galapagos is one of the largest tortoises. Some adults weigh more than 600 pounds (270 kilograms)." So, the correct answer is A.
- 4. a. Eastern and southern coasts of the United States.** According to section "What Is a Terrapin?" on page 48, we know that "Diamondback terrapins live along the eastern and southern coast of the United States." So, the correct answer is A.
- 5.** According to page 63, a *predator* is "A hunting animal."
- 6.** According to page 63, *prey* is "Any animal that is hunted for food by another animal."

## TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. True.** According to section "What Are Shelled Reptiles?" on page 6, we know that "Like all reptiles, turtles are cold-blooded." So, the correct answer is True.
- 2. False.** According to section "Do Sea Turtles Have Teeth?" on page 12, we know that "Sea turtles, like all turtles, are toothless." So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. False.** According to section "Where Do Sea Turtles Lay Their Eggs?" on page 20, we know that "All turtles — whether they live on land, in fresh water, or in the sea — lay their eggs on land." So, the correct answer is False.
- 4. True.** According to section "How Long Do Sea Turtles Live?" on page 26, we know that "Some kinds of sea turtles can live to be 80 years old." So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. True.** According to section "How Small Do Tortoises Get?" on page 36, we know that "The speckled padloper is found in a small area of southern Africa called Little Namaqualand." So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. False.** According to section "What Is Odd About Side-Necked Turtles?" on page 56, we know that "The Australian snake-necked turtle lives in northern Australia and on a few nearby islands. It grows to be about 1 foot (30 centimeters) long." So, the correct answer is False.