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X are a group of 26 species of perching birds that were first collected by Charles Darwin during his second journey to the Galapagos Islands. Researchers have extensively studied evolutionary changes in their beak size affected by El Niño/La Niña cycles in the Pacific. Identify X.

**A** Darwin's Sparrows

**B** Darwin's Finches

**C** Darwin's Terns

**D** Darwin's Thrushes



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The Okapi is a threatened species inhabiting the dense tropical forests of the Democratic Republic of Congo and is usually solitary in nature. Which is the closest relative of the Okapi in the animal kingdom?

**A** Zebra

**B** Wildebeest

**C** Oryx

**D** Giraffe

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X was the frontrunner to be named the national bird of India with strong backing from renowned ornithologists like Salim Ali. However, the peafowl (or peacock) grabbed the honour due to a peculiar reason that went against X. Identify X.

**A** Great Indian Hornbill

**B** Great Indian Bustard

**C** Sarus Crane

**D** Greater Flamingo

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## New materials for a new world

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Ananas Anam is a Philippines-based company that was founded by Dr. Carmen Hijosa who worked as a consultant in the leather industry and was frustrated by its environmental footprint. She developed an alternative leather from the waste of a plant and patented it, thus giving birth to a new sustainable cellulose-based biomaterial. Identify the plant that is the source of Ananas Anam's leather.

**A** Pineapple

**B** Coconut

**C** Banana

**D** Bamboo



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In reproductive biology, X is an organism that has complete or partial reproductive organs and produces reproductive cells normally associated with both male and female sexes. Common examples of X include earthworms, snails and slugs. Identify X.

**A** Bisexual

**B** Androgyne

**C** Hermaphrodite

**D** Bigonadal

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The term 'X Diplomacy' came into use during the Cold War to describe a particular country's use of X as diplomatic gifts to other countries. This practice has been lucrative for the donor country as the receiver has to pay them for the cost of the upkeep of X. Identify X.

**A** Tiger

**B** Golden Eagle

**C** Panda

**D** Orangutan

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In 2016, TIME magazine released a list of the top 100 influential animals shortlisted by a panel of animal experts. Which animal was ranked first in this list?

**A** Sudan the Rhino

**B** Cecil the Lion

**C** Lonesome George the Tortoise

**D** Paul the Octopus

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X is the only country in the world named after a tree, which produces a micronutrient-rich nut weighing as much as 2 kilograms, and is also valued for its wood which is used in construction, flooring and carpentry. Identify X.

**A** Brazil

**B** Guinea

**C** Haiti

**D** Tonga



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Azaria Chamberlain was a two-month old girl who went missing in 1980 during a family camping trip and her body was never found. Her mother was tried for murder and spent 3 years in prison. In 1986, the discovery of a piece of Azaria's clothing outside an animal's lair led to her mother's release and it was officially recorded that Azaria was killed by this animal. Identify the animal.

**A** Mountain lion

**B** Puma

**C** Dingo

**D** Cougar



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X is an apex predator endemic to Madagascar whose diet majorly consists of lemurs. They are briefly depicted as the antagonist in the animated movie Madagascar, and invoke extreme fear in the lemurs at the very mention of their name (except of course King Julien XIII and Maurice). Identify X.

A Serval

B Caracal

C Lynx

D Fossa

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Captain James Cook was exploring an area while his ship was beached to repair damage when he spotted a strange creature he had never seen before. When he asked a local what it was called, he replied X which meant "I don't know" or "I don't understand" in the native language, which Cook then took to be the name of the creature. Identify X.

**A** Cassowary

**B** Kangaroo

**C** Llama

**D** Platypus



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A group of fish is called a shoal. A group of lions is called a pride. What is a group of crows called?

**A** Murder

**B** Parliament

**C** Pandemonium

**D** Commotion

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Which animal is considered the strongest in the world in terms of strength-to-weight ratio?

**A** Rhinoceros Beetle

**B** Leafcutter Ant

**C** Dung Beetle

**D** Great White Shark



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X is a Celebes crested macaque, named after an animated character, who took a selfie using equipment belonging to the British nature photographer David Slater. This snowballed into a copyright dispute between Slater and PETA, who argued that the macaque should be assigned the copyright. Identify X.

A Naruto

B Goku

C Gohan

D Pikachu

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X is a flower that bloomed extensively in the trenches and no-man's land over the bodies of soldiers who lost their lives in the Second Battle of Ypres. As a consequence, this flower is a remembrance flower of the First World War and is referenced in the war poem 'In Flanders Fields'. Identify X.

**A** Tulip

**B** Poppy

**C** Dandelion

**D** Rhododendron





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The Grindadráp is a type of hunting that involves beaching and slaughtering long-finned pilot whales. This practice has been prevalent since the first settlement of a particular region by the Vikings during the 9th century, and has been criticized by animal rights groups as cruel and unnecessary. Identify the region where this is practiced.

A Isle of Man

B Iceland

C Faroe Islands

D Greenland



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What is the common factor that connects the birds below (as of today this is an exhaustive list)?

Pitohui

Blue-capped ifrit

Little shrikethrush

**A** Birds that went extinct in 2020

**B** Poisonous birds

**C** Only birds allowed as pets for the British Royal Family

**D** Birds that impale their prey

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X are among the most resilient animals known to man and are found almost everywhere on the earth. They are the first known animal to survive after exposure to outer space and have been used in space research. In 2019, scientists reported that a capsule containing these animals in a cryptobiotic state may have survived for a while on the Moon after the crash landing of Beresheet, a Israeli lunar lander. Identify X.

**A** Nematodes

**B** Tardigrades

**C** Cockroaches

**D** Hercules beetles



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After the defeat of her army by Augustus Caesar and the death of Marc Antony, Cleopatra is believed to have committed suicide. The most commonly accepted version of her death was that she allowed herself to be bitten by a venomous snake. Which snake is believed to have caused the death of one of the most powerful women in history?

A Black Mamba

B King Cobra

C Russell's Viper

D Asp

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When Pablo Escobar was shot dead in 1993, he left behind a zoo with exotic animals. One such species of animals escaped into the wild and became an invasive species in northern Colombia. Contrary to conventional wisdom, these animals have been considered beneficial in restoring the biodiversity of the region and Netflix is preparing a documentary 'Cocaine X' based on them. Identify X.

**A** Elephants

**B** Hippos

**C** Rhinos

**D** Hyenas

The Republic of Nauru was rich in phosphate deposits and phosphate mining contributed to the country having the second highest GDP per capita in the mid-1970s. Indiscriminate mining and mismanagement of the country's financial resources led to a significant shrinkage of its wealth, leading Nauru to resort to remodelling itself as a tax haven and detention center to prop up the economy. What was the source of the country's phosphate deposits that they mined to depletion?

**A** Crab shells

**B** Dinosaur fossils

**C** Bird droppings

**D** Coral

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According to a Bolivian folktale, X had a passion for singing but was ridiculed by the other creatures of the forest for his inability to sing. Frustrated, he forced a reluctant wizard to kill him and use his coat to create a musical instrument which was handed over to the best musician in the area. When the musician played the instrument, the other animals conceded that X could sing well. Identify X.

**A** Anaconda

**B** Llama

**C** Armadillo

**D** Jaguar

X was originated by the Hollywood office of the American Humane Association in 1939 to honor animal performers after a horse was killed in an on-set accident. The first recipient of the award was Francis the Talking Mule in 1951, in a ceremony hosted by Ronald Reagan. They were discontinued in 1986 due to a lack of funding but were relaunched under a new name and described as "an unofficial, animal-centric spin on the Oscars." Identify the original award X.

**A** Picture Animal Top Star of the Year

**B** Pawscars

**C** Golden Hoof Awards

**D** Golden Paw Awards

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The Global Drug Survey in 2017 identified X as the safest among all the recreational drugs. Identify X.

**A** Opium

**B** Marijuana

**C** Tobacco

**D** Magic mushrooms





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The Alpine ibex has been observed climbing the sheer face of the Cingino Dam in Italy. For what peculiar reason do they commit this daredevil act?

**A** The dam lies in their annual migration path

**B** A stunt to impress potential mates

**C** To lick mineral salts off the rocks

**D** The leader of the herd is determined by the height to which they can climb



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This recently discovered insect was christened *Humoroletalis sergius* but was given another name to honour a Marvel character. Identify this character.

A Ant Man

B Spiderman

C Thor

D Deadpool



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Baloo is the teacher of the cubs of the Seoni wolf pack in the Jungle Book series. What type of bear is Baloo, based on Rudyard Kipling's description, the natural habitat of the species and Bagheera's statements in the book?

A Asian Black Bear

B Himalayan Brown Bear

C Sloth Bear

D Sun Bear



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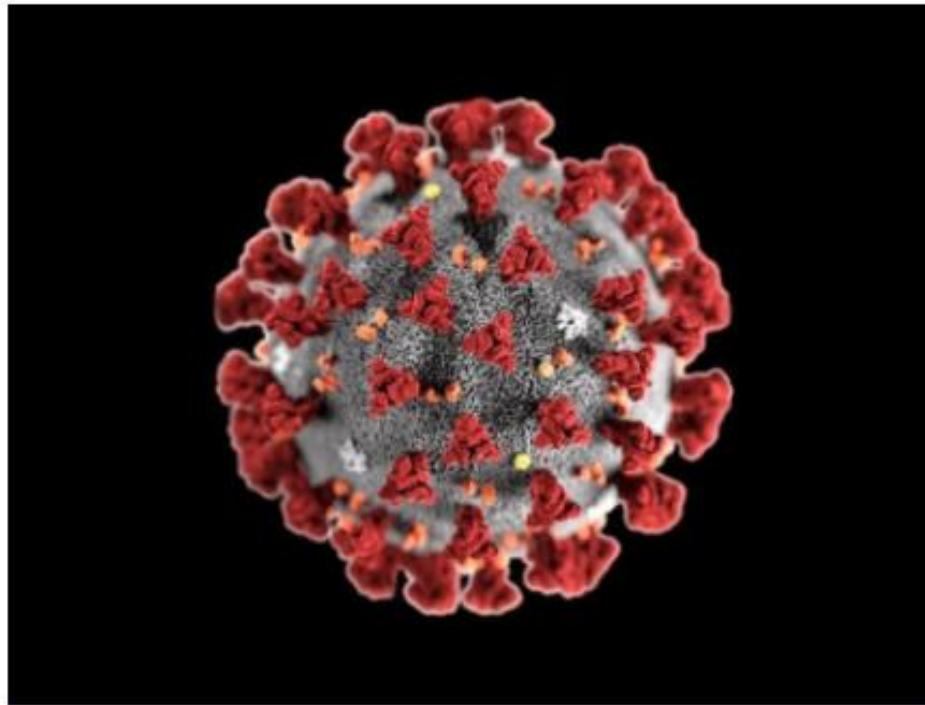
Koko was a female westland lowland gorilla famous for being able to communicate using sign language and for developing a deep friendship with a famous personality. When she was informed about this personality's death, she became very somber and signed the word 'cry'. Identify this dear friend of Koko.

**A** Princess Diana

**B** Heath Ledger

**C** Kobe Bryant

**D** Robin Williams



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What is my official name?

**A** SARS-CoV-2

**B** 2019-nCoV

**C** SARS-CoVID-19

**D** SARS-HCoV-19



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Identify this ship.

**A** Flying Dutchman

**B** Nautilus

**C** Beagle

**D** Black Pearl



# ANSWER KEY

1. Darwin's finches
2. Giraffe
3. Great Indian Bustard
4. Pineapple
5. Hermaphrodite
6. Panda
7. Cecil the Lion
8. Brazil
9. Dingo
10. Fossa
11. Kangaroo
12. Murder
13. Dung beetle
14. Naruto
15. Poppy
16. Faroe Islands
17. Poisonous birds
18. Tardigrades
19. Asp
20. Hippos
21. Bird droppings
22. Armadillo
23. Picture Animal Top Star of the Year
24. Magic mushrooms
25. To lick mineral salts off the rocks
26. Deadpool
27. Sloth Bear
28. Robin Williams
29. SARS-CoV-2
30. Beagle