



*Jackie Garner's
Christmas wildlife brainteaser pack*



1. Odd one out

Can you find the odd one out from the groups below?

- a) Macaroni; King; Fusilli; Magellanic
- b) Lair; Drey; Den; Burrow
- c) Grasshopper; Cicada; Crystals; Cricket
- d) Green; Yellow; Bull; Haw
- e) Frog; Lizard, Bee; Monkey; Toad



2. Wildlife Wordsearch

Can you find the listed words? They are always in a straight line but may be forwards, backwards, vertical, horizontal or diagonal. And one of these is hiding in the grid three times ... but which is it?

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C	H	A	N	E	P	O	L	E	T	N	A	E	J	D
S	T	I	B	E	X	B	Y	E	R	P	S	O	B	L

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|------------|-------------|
| AARDVARK | IBEX |
| ADDER | JAGUAR |
| ALLIGATOR | LION |
| ANTELOPE | MINK |
| AUK | MOLE |
| BADGER | MOUSE |
| BAT | MUNTJAC |
| BEAR | NATTERJACK |
| BEAVER | OCELOT |
| BEE | OKAPI |
| BEEBLE | ORANGUTAN |
| BOAR | OSPREY |
| CHIMPANZEE | OTTER |
| CRAB | PIG |
| DEER | PYTHON |
| DOLPHIN | RABBIT |
| DRAGONFLY | RAM |
| EFT | RAT |
| ELAND | RATTLESNAKE |
| ELK | ROOK |
| EMU | RUFF |
| FERRET | SHREW |
| FOX | TADPOLE |
| FROG | TAPIR |
| GIRAFFE | TERN |
| GREBE | TIGER |
| GROUSE | VOLE |
| HARE | WHALE |
| HYENA | ZEBRA |

3. Spot the difference

These two pictures are similar but not quite the same. Can you find 10 differences?

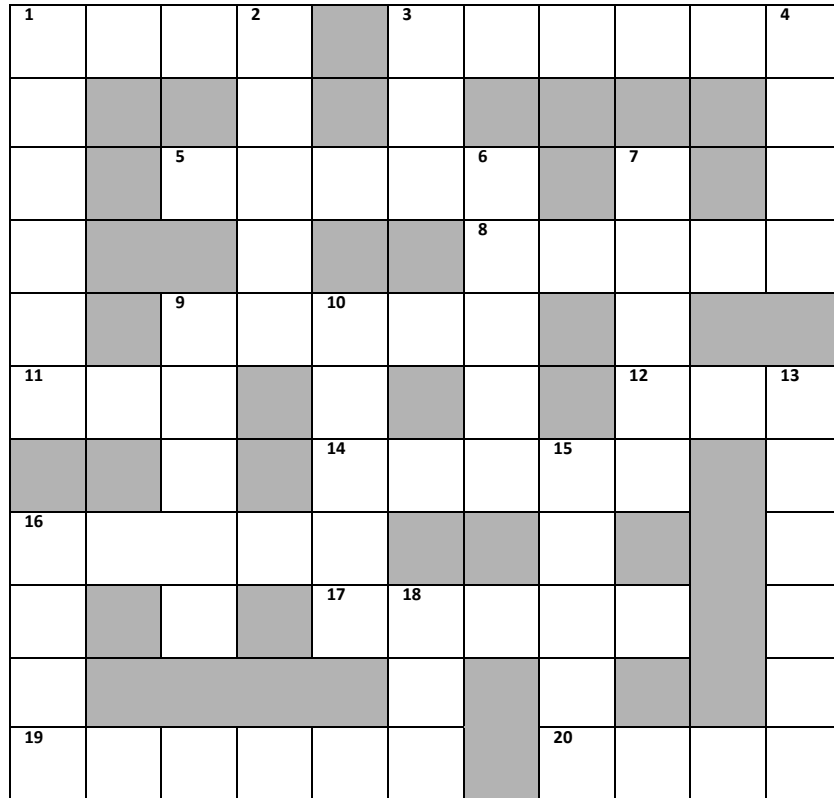


4. Bird Riddle

My first is in Swan but isn't in Mute
My second's in Wader but never in Coot
My third is in Mallard but it's not in Smew
My fourth is in Greylag and in Pintail too
My fifth heads up Lapwing and finishes Rail
My sixth is in Crossbill but never in Quail
My seventh's in Swift and when you see these
Keep your eyes open and you might just see me.

5. Crossword

This crossword has a wildlife theme running through it – either in the clues or the answers.



ACROSS

- See 2 Down
- Venezuelan river
- Catching these when rowing? Not good! (5)
- '_____ of the Riverbank', 1960s children's programme (5)
- Russian species of marten (5)
- Rodent of the superfamily *Muroidea* (3)
- Mr Donnelly's pal (3)
- Name of Hagar's lazy hunting dog in *Hagar the Horrible* cartoons (5)
- Sega video game hedgehog (5)
- Pastime or bird of prey (5)
- Muppet drummer (6)
- Nickname of 58th Speaker of the United States House of Representatives (4)

DOWN

- Make of car in James Bond film *Die Another Day* (6)
- & 1 across. Penguin mother in *Happy Feet* (5,4)
- If the female is a pen, what the male would be (3)
- Bird associated with the god Thoth in Ancient Egypt (4)
- Actor _____ Martin (5)
- Boxer Muhammed Ali did this 'like a butterfly'... (5)
- ... and this 'like a bee' (5)
- 15th century Flemish artist who sketched *Turtle and a winged demon*
- A bull's eye is at the centre (6)
- Aka Dick Grayson, comic superhero (5)
- Arctic seabird (4)
- Sheffield Wednesday football player? (3)

6. Codeword

You guessed it – there’s a wildlife theme to the answers. Creatures, plants, habitats, sounds, etc... in short, things that make up the natural world.

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ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ



7. Anagrams

THE PLANE -----
 MARIA DOLL -----
 PRICE ON UP -----
 PAROLED -----
 WHELK ARE ILL -----
 I'M PART NAG -----
 PERL LIT PIPES -----
 RIB ON STEM -----
 CLEAN WIG -----
 RASH FITS -----
 RIPE GREEN -----
 GRAND LINES -----



8. Metamorphoses

Can you change a CRAB into a SEAL, go from HEAD to TAIL or turn a REED into a RUSH?

Just make a new word by changing one letter, then another, etc, until you get to the final word.

C	R	A	B
S	E	A	L

H	E	A	D
T	A	I	L

R	E	E	D
R	U	S	H

9. General Knowledge

- i. What's a female Ruff called?
- ii. Can you name England's three snakes? And which is the only poisonous one?
- iii. What's the more well-known name for 'the butterfly bush'?
- iv. What is the more common name of the Butcher Bird?
- v. What is the name of a ladybird from the US, invasive to the UK?
- vi. What name can refer to a butterfly or a flower?
- vii. What name is given to a female peacock?
- viii. What is the smallest deer in the UK?
- ix. What name is given to the fruit of the Blackthorn?
- x. What are baby hares called?

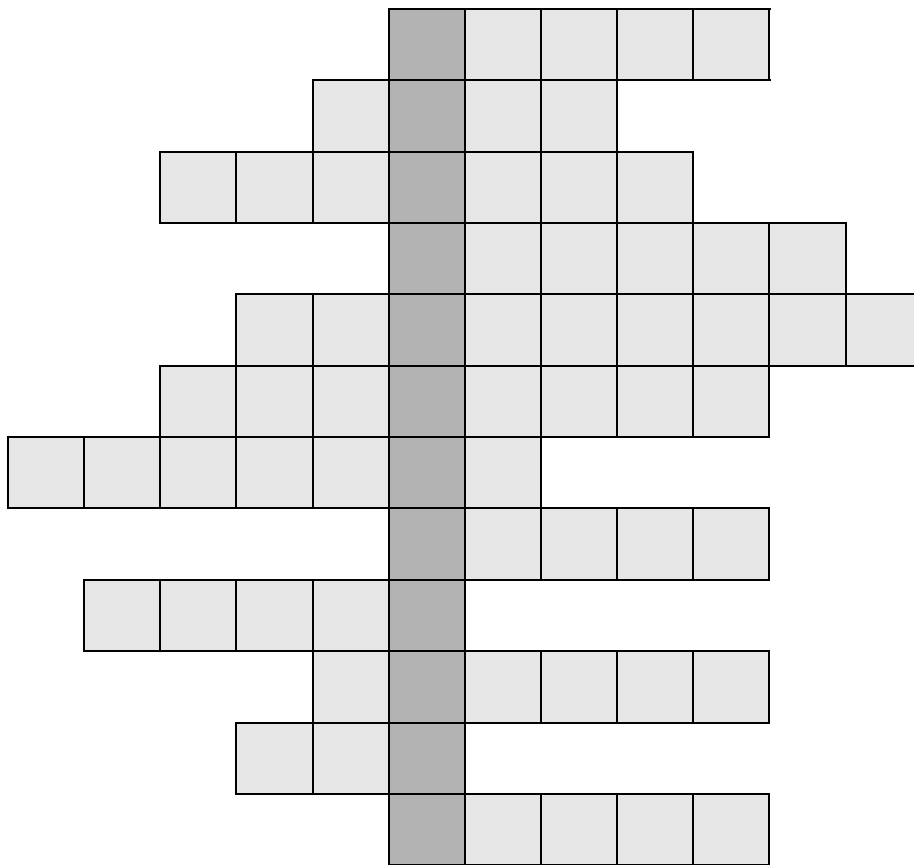
10. Can you match the animals to their homes?

A. Drey	Badger
B. Holt	Bee
C. Den	Eagle
D. Lair	Fox
E. Burrow	Otter
F. Sett	Puffin
G. Eyrie	Rabbit
H. Warren	Robin
I. Nest	Squirrel
J. Hive	Wolf



11. Name game

Listed below are various exotic wildlife. Can you fit them into the grid and spell out the name of another animal in the shaded column?



CHIPMUNK
IMPALA
SKUNK

CROCODILE
LEOPARD
TIGER

EMU
LION
WARTHOG

HYENA
PARROT
ZEBRA

ANSWER: -----

12. Snakes and Lizards

Starting in the top left corner, can you coil these reptiles round the grid? The numbers show where each one starts – but that’s not necessarily where the previous one finishes!

1								
5		6						
							7	2
	9					10		
4					8			
		3						

Eft
Keelback
King Cobra
Komodo dragon
Leatherback
Newt
Rattlesnake
Sea snake
Tortoise
Turtle



13. Wildlife in the arts

- i. What type of creature is Flag in *The Yearling*?
- ii. In *The Wind in the Willows* who is friends with Mole and Ratty?
- iii. What type of creature is Kehaar in *Watership Down*?
- iv. Which bird sang in Berkeley Square?
- v. In which popular song is the line 'I can fly higher than an eagle'?
- vi. Which artist was best known for his paintings of elephants and locomotives (not in the same paintings!)
- vii. Who composed *Swan Lake*?
- viii. Which famous piece of classical music by Prokofiev includes an animal in the title?
- ix. *Eye of the Tiger* is the theme to which film?
- x. Can you name a Shakespeare comedy with an animal name in the title?

14. Collective names

Collections of wildlife have some wonderful names. Can you match the creature to its group?

- i. Bellowing
- ii. Business
- iii. Chattering
- iv. Convocation
- v. Descent
- vi. Exaltation
- vii. Parliament
- viii. Shrewdness
- ix. Smack
- x. Unkindness

Ape
Jellyfish

Bullfinch
Lark

Chough
Owl

Eagle
Raven

Ferret
Woodpecker

15. Penguin mathematics

Each penguin has a different value from 1 – 5. Can you work out the values and solve the final sum?



- 3 Rockhoppers = 2 Gentoo + 1 King
- 2 Kings = 1 Gentoo + 1 Rockhopper + 1 Macaroni
- 2 Rockhoppers + 1 Macaroni = 3 Magellanic
- 2 Kings + 1 Rockhopper = ?

16. Can you spot it?

Brian has seen a BUZZARD, a GREAT CRESTED GREBE, a CHIFFCHAFF, an ALBATROSS and a ROBIN.

Who saw a CORMORANT, a CHAFFINCH, a GOLDCREST, an ORIOLE and a SNIPE?

17. RRRRRR

The answers to the clues below all end in R. When complete the shaded column will reveal a word that describes the coat of another animal.

- 1. Falcon
- 2. Bear
- 3. British mammal
- 4. South American mammal
- 5. Largest cat species
- 6. Duck
- 7. UK water bird

1				R
2				R
3				R
4				R
5				R
6				R
7				R

18. Lost letters

Some of the letters in the alphabet are missing. Rearrange the missing letters to give a British butterfly:

B C D F H J K L M Q S U V W X Y Z

19. OrnithoLogic

Members of the online birdwatching club went out to see who could see the most interesting species. Can you work out who saw what, how, and when?

Clues

- The Roller, which was observed at dusk, wasn't the bird seen by Kat, who was using a telescope.
- Raoul saw his bird just as the sun was rising.
- The Waxwing was spotted without the help of equipment. The next bird to be seen was observed through binoculars.
- When Jay saw the Hoopoe, he didn't have a camera at hand

	Dawn	Midday	Afternoon	Dusk	Jay	Susi	Raoul	Kat	Binoculars	Camera	Telescope	Naked eye
Waxwing												
Osprey												
Hoopoe												
Roller												
Binoculars												
Camera												
Telescope												
Naked Eye												
Jay												
Susi												
Raoul												
Kat												

Bird	Time of day	Birdwatcher	Equipment

20. Double trouble

The following lists various animals and birds with parts of their anatomy. Can you put them into pairs to reveal a list of plants?

ADDER'S
DOG'S
DRAGON
ELEPHANT
FOX
GOAT'S
GOOSE
PARROT'S
PHEASANT
STORK'S
WEASEL'S

BEARD
BILL
EARS
EYE
FEATHER
FOOT
HEAD
SNOUT
TAIL
TONGUE
TOOTH

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Answers to the quiz will be posted on www.jackiegarner.co.uk no later than January 10th 2012.

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