

Hippopotamus Fun Quiz – Solutions

Q 1. Where can you find the Hippopotamus in its natural habitat?

A 1. You can find the Hippopotamus in Africa, in a river (or a lake).

Q2. How many toes does the Hippopotamus have on each foot?

Q2. The Hippopotamus has four toes on each foot.

Q3. What is the shape of the Hippopotamus' body?

A3. The Hippopotamus' body is shaped like a barrel.

Q 4. How much does the Hippopotamus weigh?

A 4. The Hippopotamus weighs two or three tonnes.

Q 5. How does the Hippopotamus stay cool in the sun?

A 5. The Hippopotamus' thick skin sweats a lot and as the sweat evaporates this keeps it cool in the sun.

Q 6. What can the Hippopotamus do in the water?

A 6. The Hippopotamus can swim and dive below water like a submarine.

Q 7. What parts of the Hippo are usually seen when it is underwater?

A 7. The Hippopotamus' nose and ears are usually seen when it is underwater.

Q 8. Where does the Hippopotamus spend its days?

A 8. The Hippopotamus spends its days in a river or a lake.

Q 9. What does the Hippopotamus do at night?

A 9. The Hippopotamus comes out of the river or lake at night to eat.

Q 10. What does the Hippopotamus feed on?

A 10. The Hippopotamus feeds on grass, using its huge mouth.

Fun with words – Meanings in Context

barrel = a long container with rounded sides and flat ends

enormous = huge, very large in size

munch = chew noisily

submarine = a ship that can travel underwater

tonne = a unit of weight equal to 1,000 kilograms

Tidbit – Helpful Hint

> The Hippopotamus uses its large lower teeth to fight with other Hippos. Hippos are fierce and dangerous creatures, and are best observed from a distance in their natural habitat.