

# Pygmy Hippos 2a, 2b and 2d

## Mixed questions

Marks

1. Find and copy a phrase which suggest that pygmy hippos are small.

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1 mark

2. Give two habitats where pygmy hippos chose to live.

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2 marks

3. '...its features help it **survive** in those environments...'  
In this sentence, the word **survive** is closest in meaning to...

Tick **one**.

- continue to live
- feel happy
- thrive
- become extinct

1 mark

4. 'Why do pygmy hippos not worry about sunburn?'

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1 mark

5. According to the text, why are the eyes, ears and nostrils positioned high on a pygmy hippo's head?

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1 mark

6. Tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is **true** or **false**.

	True	False
Pygmy hippos have muscly legs.		
Pygmy hippos are endangered.		
Pygmy hippos live near cities and towns.		
Pygmy hippos are almost as big as common hippos.		

1 mark

7. **Find** and **copy one word** which implies pygmy hippos plod through water.

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1 mark

8. 'Vegetation is difficult to digest, so the hippos have four stomach chambers to absorb enough nutrients to survive.'

In what way does having four stomach chambers help the hippos?

Tick **one**.

- More food can be digested to absorb nutrients.
- They can fit more food in their stomachs.
- They have 6 stomachs.
- They digest different food in each of the four chambers.

1 mark

9. 'Because plants are low in calories, pygmy hippos **graze** for around 6 hours each night.'

What does the word **graze** mean in this sentence?

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Marks

1 mark

10. When do pygmy hippos eat?

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1 mark

11. How do pygmy hippos mark their territory?

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1 mark

12. What might cause a pygmy hippo to bare their teeth?

excitement

fear

happiness

hunger

1 mark

13. 'Born at Khao Kheow Zoo in Thailand, Moo Deng is a famous pygmy hippo.'

This means that Moo Deng is...Tick **one**.

frightened

endangered

very well known

smelly

1 mark

14. When did Moo Deng first become famous?

Tick **one**.

- last week
- September 2024
- 30-50 years ago
- She isn't famous yet

1 mark

15. Why does the zoo want to fund breeding programmes?

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1 mark

16. Why might Moo Deng's popularity help her species?  
Give evidence from the text to support your answer.

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1 mark

17. **Find** and **copy one word** which suggests that pygmy hippos are at risk of extinction.

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18. 'Deforestation has reduced the amount of space these animals have to live in'  
Deforestation could be described as what?

Tick **one**.

- helpful
- life-threatening
- honest
- necessary

1 mark