

GROUP 6

AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE : the KANGAROO => Read the text before doing the activities.

Species : The kangaroo is a common marsupial from the islands of Australia and New Guinea.

There are 47 species of "roos."

Life span : These shy animals live about 6 years in the wild and up to 20 in captivity.

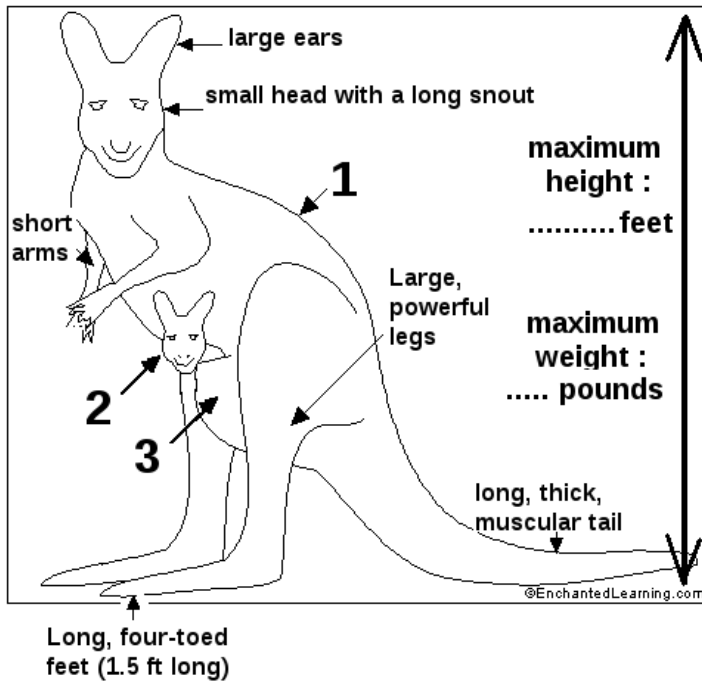
Anatomy : Roos and wallabies range in size from 2 pounds up to 6 ft and 300 pounds. The soft, woolly fur can be blue, grey, red, black, yellow or brown, depending on the species. Females have a pouch in which the young live and drink milk.

Diet : These plant-eaters eat grass, leaves, and roots.

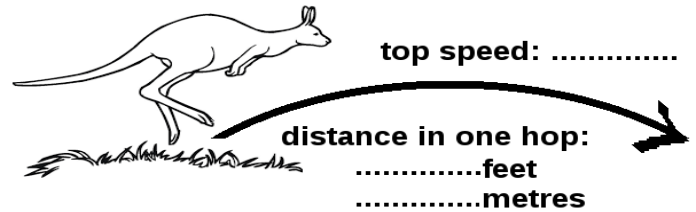
Activity : Kangaroos can hop up to 40 miles per hour (74 kph) and go over 30 feet (9 m) in one hop. When standing, roos often use their muscular tail as an extra leg. Most roos are active at night. Many roos are in danger of extinction.

Vocabulary : An adult male is called a buck, boomer or jack; an adult female is called a doe, flyer, roo, or jill. A baby is called a joey.

Amazing fact : A joey is usually 0.8 inch (= 2 cm) long at birth. It lives in his mother's pouch for 8 months. The mother kangaroo gives two different sorts of milk : low-fat for the newborn baby that's still inside the pouch and high-fat for the older one that has begun to hop around. Meanwhile, deep inside the pouch, a new embryo is waiting patiently ! It will not begin to develop until the older kangaroo has permanently left the pouch.



Using the text, label the 3 drawings :



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- B.
- C.

Explique (en français) ce que tu as compris :

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1. Le kangourou appartient à l'espèce des
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variétés.
2. Dans la nature, un kangourou peut vivre jusqu'à
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3. Ils sont : omnivores herbivores carnivores
Justifie en citant le texte :
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4. Les kangourous sont des animaux :
diurnes nocturnes *Justifie en citant le texte :*
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Tu te promènes en Australie et tu aperçois ces panneaux :



Qu'en déduis-tu ?

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Au zoo de Cairns (Queensland), tu peux entrer dans l'enclos des kangourous mais quelles règles dois-tu respecter (explique en français):



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