

THE FIVE DEADLIEST SNAKES IN AUSTRALIA



FIERCE SNAKE

The toxic venom from one bite would be enough to kill 100 people.

BROWN SNAKE

A drop of venom, smaller than a grain of salt, could kill a person. It is the 2nd most venomous snake in the world. This species kills more people than any other snake in Australia every year.

TIGER SNAKE

Extremely aggressive and highly venomous. It is a major cause of snakebites and occasional snakebite deaths in Australia.

DEATH ADDER

It can deliver enough venom in one bite to kill 18 people. It is highly venomous. They bite when they are touched.

TAIPAN

The venom from one bite can kill 12,000 guinea pigs ! It's considered the most poisonous snake in the world.

1. Read and find the corresponding words in English

Nouns : *venin*..... *une goutte*.....

Morsure..... /

Adjectives : *venimeux*..... /

2. What is the most dangerous snake in Australia ? Justify your answer

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THE SALTWATER CROCODILE

The saltwater crocodile, as known as "salty", is the world's largest reptile. These amazing creatures are found on the northern coast of Australia and inland for up to 100 km or more. The average size of a "salty" is 4 metres long but it can be as long as 7 metres.

They reproduce in the wet season, with the female crocodile laying up to 60 eggs at a time. When the crocodiles are born, only a very small number of these survive in the wild and grow to be adult crocodiles.

Amazing fact: the temperature of the saltwater crocodile's egg will determine the sex of the new born crocodile. Temperatures below 31,7°C produce females, whereas temperatures above 31,7°C produce males.

Danger lurks (= *le danger se tapit*) in the most unexpected places. The saltwater crocodiles or "salties", which attack and kill humans, love to hide underwater in cool, crystal-clear and very inviting green ponds (= *mare*).

1. You can find saltwater crocodiles everywhere in Australia : yes no Justify :

2. Complete the drawing :



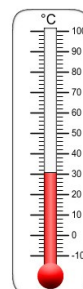
Length : metres

It's a record-breaker ! It's in the world.

3. Read the text and tick the correct answers.



male or female ?



It depends on the temperature of egg incubation

> 31,7°C ➔ ♂ ♀
< 31,7°C ➔ ♂ ♀

4. Salties never attack men. yes no Justify :

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Alors que vous visitez des parcs nationaux en Australie, vous rencontrez ces panneaux d'avertissement.
Récapitulez tout ce que vous comprenez (en français ou en anglais).



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