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Answer a quiz on animals.

- a) What is the fear of spiders called?
- b) Which animal can survive on a diet that's 99 per cent bamboo?
- c) Which is the fastest animal on land?
- d) Which animal can live a lifetime without water?



Winter's story has inspired millions of people all over the world. Every day, scores of visitors are welcomed to Clearwater Marine Aquarium. Among them are those who have similar tales.

At first, officials at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium on the Gulf Coast of Florida, USA, thought Kevin Carroll's call was a prank. Carroll said he had heard on the radio about the injured dolphin that was rescued from a crab trap. He wanted to see if he could build the animal a prosthetic tail to replace the one that had been amputated.

Carroll, who is one of the world's leading prosthetists, convinced the dolphin's caretakers of his abilities and drove from Orlando to meet with them that day.

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The three-month-old dolphin, named Winter because she was found on a particularly cold December day in 2005, immediately stole Carroll's heart. In time, she would steal

hearts around the world and inspire the 2011 movie 'Dolphin Tale,' in which she plays herself. It also starred top Hollywood actors like Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd.

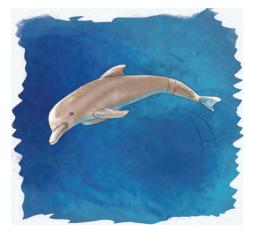
Carroll recalls his first meeting with the bottlenose dolphin, "Obviously, Winter was very sick and badly injured. And the people at the aquarium were heartbroken. They were just incredible with her, working round the clock. There was never a moment that Winter was without human contact. They were now her adopted family."



Carroll got in touch with his colleague, Dan, who happened to live nearby in Florida. The two of them quickly threw themselves into the project. They had built prosthetics for birds, horses, and dogs before but never a dolphin.

Carroll and Dan had to first figure out whether a fake tail would even help Winter. The dolphin could still swim on her own, despite losing her entire tail and two vertebrae. She had adapted, learning to swim side to side, the way a fish or shark would, instead of the up-and-down motion usual for dolphins.

She couldn't swim as fast or jump as high as most dolphins, but the real problem was that she was slowly damaging her spine. So, they felt that by fitting her with a prosthetic device, Winter could get swimming in the right manner again.



The challenges in creating such a device were manifold. It is not easy to fit a prosthetic limb and then make it move the way a usual part of our body moves. This one would attach to the end of Winter's body and had to move side to side, up and down, and gently twist as she swam.

It also needed to attach properly to her stump. "This was particularly difficult," Carroll explains, "because Dolphins have delicate skin. Human skin is also

fragile, but I can scratch my nail across my skin and in a couple of minutes that mark is

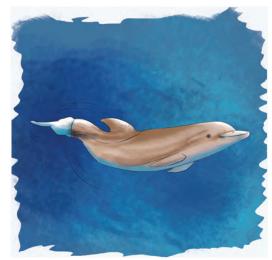
gone," he says. "But if I put that same mark on the dolphin's skin, six weeks later I would come back and that mark would still be there."

Carroll and Dan, who lost his own leg in a lawn-mowing accident as a child, worked with an engineer to develop a new material, nicknamed 'WintersGel,' that would help Winter bear her new body part easily.

Dan tested it on himself first, and when they put it on Winter next week, nothing was wrong. The team began preparing the dolphin for her new prosthetic, starting with a very small tail so she could slowly become used to it. Trainers coached her to once again move her body up and down. Over the course of a year, the team gradually increased the size of the tail to match her now 230-pound body, and Winter began swimming as she had before the accident.

"We knew it was going to happen, but when it happened, it was just awesome," Carroll says about the first time Winter used the full prosthetic. "Just to see this very clean, correct, smooth motion in the water – it was absolutely breathtaking."

Working with Winter has become a hobby for Carroll and Dan, who still often visit her at the Clearwater Aquarium. The facility itself was nearing closing down for lack of money when Winter arrived but has now become a major



tourist attraction. Thousands of visitors, including many wounded soldiers and children with disabilities, throng the aquarium daily. Winter inspires them and gives them hope.

Glossary

scores: very many

prank: a joke or mischievous act
prosthetic: an artificial body part

incredible: surprising, or difficult to believe **amputated:** cut off a body part by surgical

operation

prosthetist: a specialist in prosthetics **figure out:** try to understand something **vertebrae:** one of the small bones that form a row down the centre of your back

adapted: got used to

device: a thing made for a particular purpose

manifold: many, numerous

stump: the part of the limb that is left after

amputation

delicate: can be easily damaged fragile: easily gets hurt or injured gradually: slowly and steadily

pound: a measure of weight used in the United Kingdom and the United States. One pound equals

450 grams.

throng: be present in large numbers



1.	Fra	ame suitable questions for the answers given below.
	a)	
		Clearwater Marine Aquarium
	b)	
		Kevin Carroll
	c)	?
		Winter
	d)	?
	/	Dan
	(م	?
	C)	WintersGel :
	.	
٠.	No	ote down three things that Carroll and Dan did to give Winter a
	a)	
	1 \	
	b)	
	c)	
3.	Ar	nswer the following questions.
	a)	How did Winter lose her tail?
	b)	How did Winter get her name?
	c)	Why was it important to give Winter a prosthetic tail?
	d)	Why was Clearwater Marine Aquarium closing down?
	e)	How could it save itself from shutting down?
	f)	What role did Carroll play in the film 'Dolphin Tale'?
	g)	Who else acted in the film?



- 1. Why did Dan test the gel on himself first?
- 2. Dan wore a prosthetic leg. Do you think this helped him choose his job? Discuss.
- 3. Why do you think Carroll and Dan have made working with Winter their hobby?
- 4. Why is Winter an inspiration?
- 5. People with disabilities are called 'specially-abled'. Why do you think this name is used? Discuss.





Homophones

When two words have similar pronunciation but different spellings, they are called homophones.

In the story, we find the homophones tale and tail. In fact, the movie title 'Dolphin Tale' uses this homophone to create a wordplay.

Some other examples of homophones are:

bear/bare	here/hear	sew/so

1.	Complete	the sentences	with	the	correct	word	S.
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- a) The ______ (hair/hare) has long ears.
 b) The hermit told a ______ (tail/tale) to the rabbit.
 c) Anita had a ______ (pear/pair) for lunch.
 d) The sky was ______ (blue/blew) and no wind ______ (blue/blew).
 e) He ______ (new/knew) the answer but was too scared to speak.
- f) I know that you don't _____ (know/no) the answer.
- g) I will not hear a _____ (no/know) for an answer.
- h) I bought a _____(pear/pair) of blue socks.

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Phrasal verbs

Read these sentences.

- The two of them quickly threw themselves into the project.
- Carroll and Dan had to first figure out whether a fake tail would even help Winter.

The expressions threw into and figure out comprise a verb and a preposition. However, their meanings cannot be understood by knowing what each word in these multi-word phrases, or phrasal verbs, means. However, some phrasal verbs are simpler to understand and knowing what the verbs and the prepositions mean helps us know what the phrasal verbs mean.

So, to throw oneself into something means 'to begin to do something with a lot of interest'.

And, to figure out means 'to understand and solve a problem'.

Sometimes, the verb and the preposition in a phrasal verb can be separated by the object of the verb.

The object of the verb receives the action of a verb.

2. Use the phrasal verbs to complete the sentences. You can change the tense of the verbs.

	turn up	break into	brighten up	break down	calm down
a)	Не	late for w	ork every day.		
b)	Shesemi-finals.		e heard that Ind	ia had lost the Cr	icket World Cup
c)		aster ed because of tl	•	en he told us that	the school would
d)	Mrs Potts n given her st		She was	very upset with l	ner baker who had
e)	The thieves could steal.		our house last ni	ght, but they foun	d nothing they

№ Listen Live

Listen to some information on bottlenose dolphins and write down ten things that you have learnt about them. You may write short sentences or even phrases. The first one has been done for you.

a)	They	are grey	in colour	and 2 to 4	metres	in length.
b)						
c)						
d)						
e)						
f)						
g)						
h)						
i)						
j)						
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Read and listen to these words. Pay attention to the letters in colour.

winter stump

The highlighted letters are pronounced as $/\vartheta(r)/$ and $/\Lambda/$, respectively. They are pronounced as $/^l$ wint $\vartheta(r)/$ and $/st\Lambda mp/$.

Words ending in er are pronounced as /ə/. It is different from the /a/ made by the letter \mathbf{u} .

Read and repeat these words.

- a) customer
- b) emperor
- c) runner
- d) actor

- e) thunder
- f) tunnel
- g) summer



Did you notice that the story does not start with, 'Once upon a time' or 'There was once a dolphin ...'? It is good to begin a story with an unpredictable and a different opening.

Work in groups of four and create a story beginning with the following lines. Tell the story to your class.

It all started like this... I was sitting in the balcony watching the birds fly across the sky when all of a sudden ...



Adverbs

Read this sentence.

• The 3-month-old dolphin immediately stole Carroll's heart.

The word immediately is an adverb.

Adverbs are words that tell us more about verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs.

Types of adverbs

Adverbs can be of different types depending on their function in a sentence.

Adverbs of manner: Some adverbs describe the way or manner in which an action takes place. They answer the question how. Such adverbs are called adverbs of manner. They are usually formed by adding -ly after adjectives.

Examples:

- Winter was very sick and badly injured.
- Over the course of a year, the team gradually increased the size of the tail to match her now 230-pound body, and Winter began swimming as she had before the accident.

Adverbs of time: Some adverbs tell us about the time of an action. They answer the question when. Such adverbs are called adverbs of time.

Example:

• When they put it on Winter next week, nothing was wrong.

Adverbs of place: Some adverbs point out the place of an action. They answer the question where. Such adverbs are called adverbs of place.

Example:

Carroll got in touch with his colleague, Dan, who happened to live nearby in Florida.

Adverbs of frequency: Some adverbs tell us how frequently an action takes place. They answer the question how often. Such adverbs are called adverbs of frequency.

Example:

• There was never a moment that Winter was without human contact.

Some more adverbs:

Manner	Time	Place	Frequency
fairly	before	everywhere	always
swiftly	now	inside	sometimes
hard	yet	within	often
beautifully	daily	out	usually
carefully	then	below	frequently

Some adverbs like hard, high, and fast are the same when used as adjectives.

1. Read the following sentences carefully. Then write the most suitable adverb next to each sentence. The first one has been done for you.

	everywhere	soon	cautiously	hurriedly	high	daily
a)	The careful boy crossed the road in this manner.					usly
b)	Where did you look for the ball?					
c)	When can the workmen finish painting the house?					
d)	How did he move when he was in a hurry?					
e)	How often does she go to the market to buy fresh food?					
f)	The kite flew in the	ne sky wł	nen the breeze g	rew stronger.		

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2.	What are they saying? Complete the sentences with adverbs of manner.						
	carelessly loudly softly quickly carefully						
	a) I can't hear you. You're speaking very						
	b) Karan is playing his music very!						
	c) Quick! My room is on fire. Bring some water!						
	d) I opened the magic bottle It went bang!						
	e) Be careful now Open the door						
3.	Read the passage below and fill in the blanks using suitable adverbs of time from						
	the box. The first one has been done for you.						
	now yesterday soon immediately yet early						
	Yesterday was a special day for me. It was my birthday. I woke up quite						
	, and while I was rubbing my eyes and yawning, I						
	noticed a present on my desk. I jumped out of bed, ran						
	to the desk, picked up the present, and began tearing at the wrapper.						
	there was wrapping paper all over the floor. The present was						
	wrapped in several layers of paper. Inside a box was a great present. I had wanted a						
	watch since I was a little child and I had one. My parents weren	't					
	up, so I had to wait to thank them.						
4.	Choose suitable adverbs of place to complete the sentences.						
	a) Mr Smith lives in the city. (outside/somewhere)						
	b) Please leave the shoes (here/away)						
	c) Jenny told me to wait for her (nowhere/here)						
	d) I searched but I could not find the ring. (somewhere/everywhere)						
	e) I saw many animals on the farm. They were running! (inside/around	1)					
5.	Choose suitable adverbs of frequency to complete the sentences.						
	a) Ravi is never lazy. He works hard. (always/sometimes)						
	b) My sister rarely eats burgers. She eats healthy. (sometimes/usually)						
	c) I always leave for work on time. I'm late. (rarely/often)						
	d) The boy falls sick frequently. He misses school. (never/often)						
	e) Although not every day, I watch television in the evenings.						
	(sometimes/regularly)						



A poster is a printed paper carrying some information or an important message. It has both pictures and words.

Here is a poster about poster making.



This is a poster on road safety.



Create a poster that you would like to put up at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium. Give details about Winter and why people should go watch her swim. Let people know that she is the star attraction of the aquarium.