

The Tasmanian Devil

Biology · Answer Key · 11 Questions

1. What type of animal is a Tasmanian Devil?

- A) Reptile
- B) Carnivorous marsupial**
- C) Amphibian
- D) Rodent

2. Why did early Europeans name this animal a 'Devil'?

- A) Because it is red
- B) Because of its loud snarling and growling**
- C) Because it has horns
- D) Because it is very large

3. When does the Tasmanian Devil typically forage for food?

- A) During the day
- B) Only at dawn
- C) At night**
- D) During the winter

4. What does a yawning gape usually indicate in a Tasmanian Devil?

- A) Aggression
- B) Hunger
- C) Fear or uncertainty**
- D) Happiness

5. Where does the Tasmanian Devil shelter during the day?

- A) In trees
- B) In caves
- C) In dense undergrowth, burrows, or hollow logs**
- D) In open fields

6. How often do adult Tasmanian Devils typically change their dens?

- A) Every 1-3 days**
- B) Every month
- C) Once a year
- D) They never change dens

7. What parts of their prey can Tasmanian Devils consume?

- A) Only the meat
- B) Only the fur
- C) Bones, fur, and meat**
- D) Only the organs

8. Where are Tasmanian Devils found in the wild today?

- A) Throughout all of Australia
- B) Only in Tasmania**
- C) Only in zoos
- D) In New Zealand

9. What is the primary cause of population decline for the Tasmanian Devil?

- A) Loss of water
- B) Devil facial tumour disease**
- C) Predators
- D) Lack of food

10. What kind of diet do Tasmanian Devils have?

- A) Herbivore
- B) Strictly scavenger
- C) Opportunistic scavenger and hunter**
- D) Insectivore

11. How many joeys can typically survive in the pouch?

- A) Up to 10
- B) Only 1
- C) 2-3**
- D) Exactly 5