

Cryptozoology Foundations

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1. Who is credited with coining the term 'cryptozoology' in the 1950s?

- A) Bernard Heuvelmans
- B) Ivan T. Sanderson
- C) Karl Shuker
- D) Loren Coleman

2. Which famous deep-sea fish, once thought extinct, was discovered alive in 1938?

- A) Megalodon
- B) Coelacanth
- C) Oarfish
- D) Giant Squid

3. In 1901, Sir Harry Johnston helped discover which large African mammal, previously known only from local rumors?

- A) Gorilla
- B) Okapi
- C) Bongo
- D) Giant Forest Hog

4. What is the primary definition of cryptozoology?

- A) The study of ghosts
- B) The study of animals whose existence is unproven
- C) The study of extinct dinosaurs
- D) The study of space aliens

5. Which scientist is considered the 'father of cryptozoology'?

- A) Charles Darwin
- B) Bernard Heuvelmans
- C) Carl Linnaeus
- D) Jane Goodall

6. The giant squid, long considered a mythical 'kraken', was scientifically confirmed by which invention?

- A) Submersible cameras
- B) Deep-sea trawling
- C) Stranded carcasses
- D) Sonar mapping

7. The Mountain Gorilla was first scientifically described in which year?

- A) 1802
- B) 1902
- C) 1952
- D) 1982

8. What was the first 'cryptid' to be formally moved into the category of 'zoological discovery'?

- A) Bigfoot
- B) The Okapi
- C) The Yeti
- D) The Loch Ness Monster

9. Which animal was known as the 'unicorns of the sea' before its existence was fully verified by science?

- A) Narwhal
- B) Manatee
- C) Dugong
- D) Beluga Whale

10. The 'Patterson-Gimlin film' from 1967 is famous for attempting to document which cryptid?

- A) The Mothman
- B) Bigfoot
- C) The Chupacabra
- D) The Jersey Devil

11. Which organization was founded in 1982 to study cryptozoology?

- A) The International Society of Cryptozoology
- B) The World Wildlife Fund
- C) The Crypto-Research Institute
- D) The Animal Discovery Association

12. What type of evidence is traditionally sought by cryptozoologists to confirm a species?

- A) Eyewitness accounts
- B) Physical specimens or DNA
- C) Blurred photographs
- D) Folklore stories

13. The Komodo Dragon was first officially described by science in which century?

- A) 17th century
- B) 18th century
- C) 20th century
- D) 19th century

14. Before its formal discovery in 1901, the Okapi was often referred to by what name by European explorers?

- A) African Unicorn
- B) Forest Zebra
- C) Congo Giraffe
- D) Water Horse

15. Which explorer provided the first detailed account of the Giant Squid to the scientific community in the 19th century?

- A) Pierre Denys de Montfort
- B) H.L. Mencken
- C) James Cook
- D) Charles Wyville Thomson

16. What is the common term used for an animal that is considered 'hidden' by science?

- A) Cryptid
- B) Myth
- C) Ghost
- D) Alien

17. The 'Congo Dinosaur' (Mokele-mbembe) is a popular topic of search, but which actual African animal is often mistaken for it in early reports?

- A) Elephant
- B) Hippopotamus
- C) Giraffe
- D) Ostrich

18. In which decade was the first photograph of a giant squid in its natural habitat finally captured?

- A) 1960s
- B) 1980s
- C) 2000s
- D) 1940s

19. Which of these was once considered a cryptid before being proven real?

- A) The Platypus
- B) The Dragon
- C) The Phoenix
- D) The Pegasus

20. What field of science overlaps most with cryptozoology when analyzing physical remains?

- A) Astronomy
- B) Taxonomy
- C) Chemistry
- D) Physics