

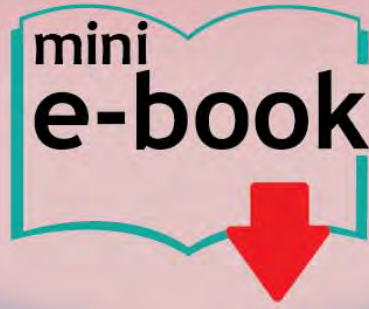


English

Information Reports



For Junior Primary



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Information Report 1: Kookaburras

Read this information report.

The kookaburra is an Australian bird and is the largest of the kingfisher family.

Kookaburras have a white head with some brown patches on the top and side. They have a white chest and a brown back. Their wings are brown and white and blue. Their tail is white and brown.

They have a very strong beak for catching their food. They eat worms, insects, snakes and lizards.

Kookaburras lay two to four white eggs in their nests which are built in holes inside trees. They live in groups and a few older birds help to look after the baby birds.

Kookaburras are famous for their call. Their call sounds like a laugh. They call early in the morning and late in the afternoon.



Kookaburras Activity 1

An information report has three parts. The first part tells you what the report is about. The second part gives you more information about the subject, and the last part provides a final statement.

Read Kookaburras and answer these questions.

1 What does the first sentence tell you?

2 Read the middle of the text and answer these questions.

a. What colour is a kookaburra's head?

b. What colour are its wings?

c. What does it eat?

d. Where does it make a nest?

e. What kind of call does it make?

f. Read the final statement. What does it tell you about when they call?

Kookaburras Activity 2

Find some of the words that help you to find information in the report.

1. Find four nouns.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

3. Find three adjectives that tell you about their colour.

- _____
- _____
- _____

2. Find four verbs.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Find groups of words that tell you 'where' or 'when'.

Is an A _____

In their n _____

In h _____

Inside t _____

Early _____

Late _____

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Kookaburras Activity 3

Use the words in the box so that the report makes sense.

Australia nests birds tails trees
lizards wings chest laugh beak

Kookaburras are birds that live in

(1) _____.

They have a brown and white head and a white

(2) _____. Their (3) _____ are brown, white and blue. They have brown and white (4) _____.



They have a strong (5) _____ for catching food. They eat worms, insects, snakes and (6) _____.

They lay two to four eggs in their (7) _____ which are built in holes inside (8) _____. A few older birds help to look after the baby (9) _____.

When kookaburras call it sounds like a (10) _____.

Information Report 2:

Report

Kangaroos

Read this information report.

A kangaroo is an Australian animal.

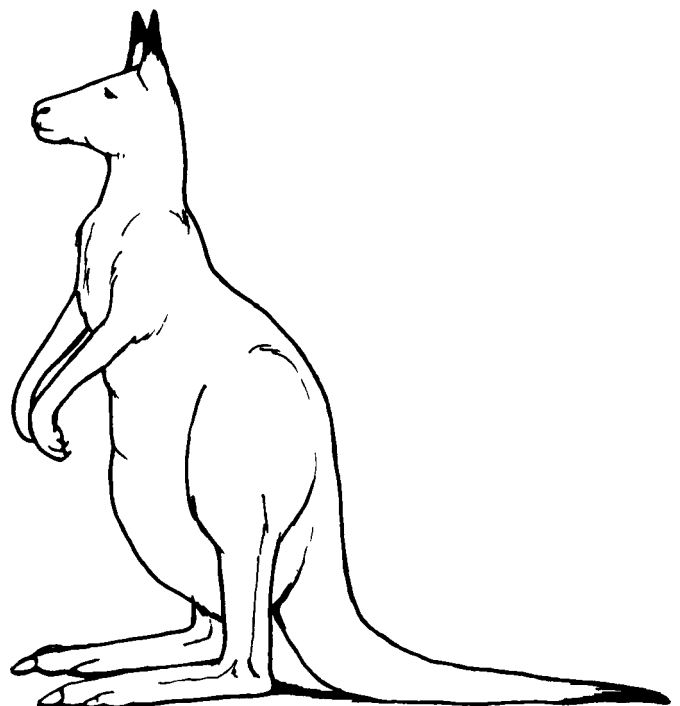
There are over 60 kinds of kangaroos. Some are very big and some are small. They live in the cold areas as well as the hot, desert areas.

Kangaroos usually have grey or red-brown fur. They have big back legs and strong feet for hopping. They can hop very fast. Their front legs are small. They have a long, strong tail. It helps them to balance when they are moving slowly.

When a baby kangaroo is born, it is the size of a jellybean. It crawls into the mother's pouch and drinks milk and grows. When it grows bigger, it comes out of the pouch and hops like its mother.

Kangaroos eat grass. They eat early in the morning and late in the afternoon and rest during the hot part of the day.

Kangaroos live in a group called a mob.



Kangaroos Activity 1

Read the information report on page 48. The report has lots of facts about kangaroos.

Write eight facts about kangaroos.
Write each fact in a sentence.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

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Now Write Your Own Information Report

Plan your information report on a separate piece of paper.

Title

The title of your information report is the subject of your report.

Statement

This part of the information report tells the reader what the report is about and what group the subject belongs to.

Description

This part of the report gives an interesting description of the subject. If the report is about an animal, this part of the report tells you about where it lives, its size, how it moves, what it eats, how many babies it has and something about the babies.

Final statement

The final part tells the reader something unusual about the animal.

Check your Information Report

When you have finished the draft of your information report, write your final copy and use the list on page 52 to help you check it.

Include a picture with your information report.

Check Your Information Report

Give yourself a if you answer yes when checking your report.

- My title is the subject of my report

Statement

- The first part tells the reader **what the report is about (the subject)**
- It tells the reader what group the subject belongs to in an interesting way

Description

- The second part gives a description of the subject
- There are interesting facts
- The information is easy to understand
- It makes the reader keen to know more

Final Statement

- The final part tells the reader something unusual about the subject
- I used describing words
- I checked my report for errors
- My report was interesting
- My sentences made sense

Answers

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1. The kookaburra is an Australian bird and is the largest of the kingfisher family.
2. a) Its head is white with brown patches at the top and side.
b) Its wings are brown, white and blue.
c) It eats worms, insects, snakes and lizards.
d) It makes a nest in holes in trees.
e) Its call sounds like a laugh.
f) They call early in the morning and late in the afternoon.

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4. Is an Australian bird; In their nests; In holes; Inside trees; Early in the morning; Late in the afternoon.

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(1)Australia (2)chest (3)wings
(4)tails (5)beak (6)lizards (7)nests (8)trees (9)birds (10)laugh

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Teacher to check

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