

SPAG and Reading Daily Tasks

Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Great Galapagos

11 Thank you for joining us today; my name is David and
22 I will be your tour guide. The Pacific Ocean and the
30 enchanted volcanic islands of Galapagos are places unlike
40 any other. They are home to an incredible collection of
49 animals who have adapted to the harsh landscape around
58 them. Most of them were discovered by an astounded
69 Charles Darwin on his first trip to these islands over two
72 hundred years ago.

83 On our right, you can see one of the islands' most
90 remarkable inhabitants – the giant tortoise. There are
102 hundreds of them on the beach at any time, lying in the
112 sun to warm their blood and gather energy. Many may
124 be older than you are right now and some will live for
130 over one hundred years. Impressive, right?



Quick Questions



1. Who discovered most of the animals on the Galapagos Islands?



2. Sum up the second paragraph in 20 words or less.



3. How has the author made the Galapagos Islands sound special within the text?



4. Name one other creature you could expect to see on this tour.

Can you add all the missing punctuation into this direct speech sentence?

a

Catch!



Catch shouted Daniel as he threw the ball

Can you think of a word that ends in **-ous** to match this definition?

b

brave/heroic c _____

Mr Whoops has accidentally used **two** suffixes incorrectly. Fix the words by using the correct suffixes

c

Housework isn't very enjoyable and because I'm quite clumsy, it is often dangeral.



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Fill the spaces with the correct word in brackets:

d

My painting is _____ than yours. (**best/better/gooder**)



Up-level this sentence by adding an adjective and a subordinate clause!

e

The girl walked her dog in the park.

Insert the correct speech punctuation into this sentence:

f

The teacher shouted

Time to go

Answers on the following slides



Answers



1. Who discovered most of the animals on the Galapagos Islands?

Charles Darwin



2. Sum up the second paragraph in 20 words or less.

Accept any reasonable summary of information from the second paragraph in 20 words or less.



3. How has the author made the Galapagos Islands sound special within the text?

Accept answers which discuss use of exciting adjectives (enchanted / incredible), and saying 'place unlike any other'.



4. Name one other creature you could expect to see on this tour.

Accept any reasonable prediction which would fit on a Pacific island tour or anything Darwin famously discovered, e.g. beach life (star fish, hermit crab), fish, insects, birds.

Can you add all the missing punctuation into this direct speech sentence?

a



"Catch!" shouted Daniel as he threw the ball.

Can you think of a word that ends in **-ous** to match this definition?

b

brave/heroic courageous

Mr Whoops has accidentally used **two** suffixes incorrectly. Fix the words by using the correct suffixes

c

Housework isn't very enjoyable and because I'm quite clumsy, it is often dangeral.



enjoyful

enjoyable

dangeral

dangerous

Fill the spaces with the correct word in brackets:

d

My painting is better than yours. (best/better/gooder)



Up-level this sentence by adding an adjective and a subordinate clause!

e

Accept an up-levelled sentence with an added adjective and subordinate clause,

e.g. As it was a beautiful day, the carefree girl walked her dog in the park.

Insert the correct speech punctuation into this sentence:

f

The teacher shouted, "Time to go!"