ARE YOU SMARTER THAN AN ORANGUTAN?

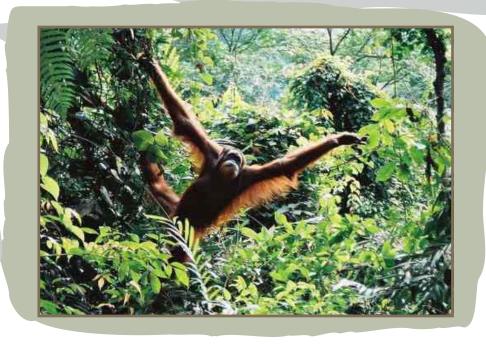


Take the Quiz... BRACHIATION

bescribes

the way

orangutans...



Nope.

Yes!

Brachiation means that orangutans swing from tree limb to tree limb using only their arms Try again!

Orangutans sometimes brape leaves or branches over themselves because...



Nope.

Nice try!

You are right!

But they use the branches and leaves from the same tree they make their nest in.

Orangutans are found on the islands of...



You are correct!

Not even close!

Try again.

An Orangutan is...



Nope.

Correct!

Ridiculous!

Monkeys have tails. Orangutans do not.

The four great apes are Orangutans, Gorillas, Chimpanzees and Bonobos.

In zoos, orangutans are known as...



They are kind of funny - but not quite the right answer.

Nope!

That's right!

They are very smart. At one zoo, an orangutan would unscrew bolts, unlatch hooks and hinges and find ways to get out of his enclosure. When his keepers figured out his escape route and orangutan-proofed it, this cunning orangutan would find another way to get out.

A baby orangutan will stay with its mother until it is...



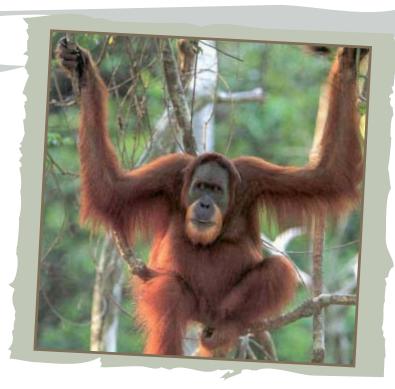
Nope.

Try again.

You are absolutely correct!

Not quite that long!

In the Indonesian language, "orangutan" means...



Correct!

Orang means person and Hutan means forest translating as Person of the forest.

Nope!

Not quite!

Although sometimes they are referred to as the "red apes".

Orangutans spend most of their time...



Try again.

Yes.

They are the most arboreal of all the apes - meaning they spend most of their lives in trees.

Not quite.

A female orangutan might have ____ babies in her lifetime.



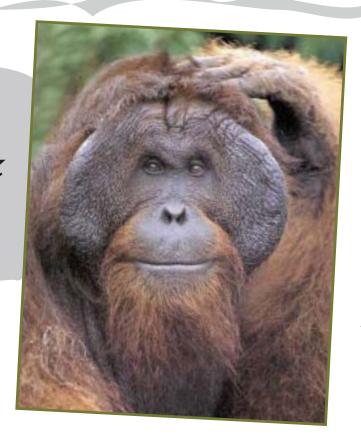
Close - but not quite.

Guess again!

Correct.

They only give birth about once every 8 years and so have only 4-5 babies in a lifetime. This is why orangutan populations are very slow to recover from disturbance.

Congratulations!
You are <u>almost</u> as smart as an orangutan!



Take the rest of the quiz to see if you are really as smart as an orangutan...

When an orangutan is ready for bed each night, it...



Yes!

Orangutans make a nest in the trees each night using branches and leaves.

No.

Most hotels have a "no orangutans allowed" policy.

Not quite!

That would have to be a pretty big burrow!

As they get older, male orangutans...

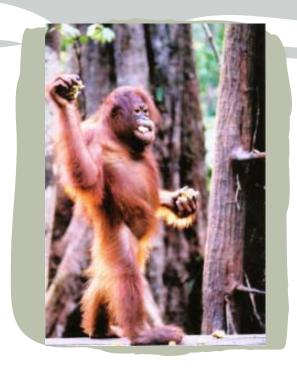


No. They do have long hair - but not that long!

Wrong - try again.

That's right!
When males are about
15 years old they
begin to develop into
very handsome
fellows.

When they walk on the ground, orangutans sometimes...



You are partly right. Try again.

You are partly right. Try again.

Correct!
They can walk upright for short distances, but when on the ground, they generally walk on all fours.

When a male orangutan is looking for a female, he lets other orangutans know by...



Correct!

Nope.

Nice try - but wrong.

Their loud bellow is called a "long call" and can be heard 3000 feet away!

When fruit is hard to find, orangutans eat...



Yuck! Don't think so.

Nope - try again.

Try again.

Very good!

Fruit makes up the largest percentage of the orangutan diet. In the wild, orangutans consume many different food items that include: young leaves, shoots, bark, insects, honey and bird eggs but fruits are always preferred.

In the wild, an orangutan family unit is made up of...



Incorrect.

Not quite.
Orangutans are more solitary than other apes. Males and females generally come together only to mate.

That is right!
Orangutans have the longest childhood of the great apes.
Mothers and babies have a very close relationship.

Abult male orangutans travel...



Absolutely right!

Never! Orangutan males are solitary animals.

Nope.

They will accept females overlapping into their territory, but never a male. If any male happens to wander too far into another male's territory, a booming roar will immediately be emitted to scare him away.

Young orangutans have trouble...



Not quite!

Try again!

Ouch! That's right!
They have to learn
which fruits are edible,
and how to get at tasty
food that's covered by
sharp spines or shells.
They rely on their
mothers to teach them
these skills.

When it is awake, what is an orangutan most likely to be boing?



Not quite.

Don't think so. Try again! Yup!
Knowing what kinds of food to eat is not a simple matter in tropical forests. Orangutans need to know hundreds of species of plants and trees.

Which of the following is NOT true?



NO - Orangutans have developed an amazing ability to use tools. They use twigs to extract insects and honey as well as blunt tools to scrape seeds from spiny fruit cases. They make tools to scratch themselves, fashion leafy branches into "umbrellas" to shelter themselves from sun and rain, and use branches as swatters to repel insects.

Right!
The males can be around four and a half feet tall, and 130-200 pounds; the females are around two and a half feet and 90-110 pounds.

This is true.

Are orangutans endangered?

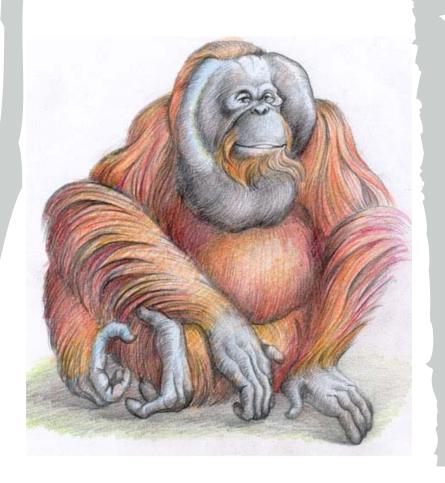


These rare, intelligent and amazing redhaired apes are **HIGHLY ENDANGERED!**

It's hard to imagine, but orangutans may have less 10 years left in the wild before they are extinct! This closest primate cousin of ours will be the first great ape to go extinct.

Habitat loss, palm oil plantations, and an illegal pet trade are pushing them toward extinction.





EXCÉLLENT JOB!!

You are now JUST as SMART as an Orangutan and that's pretty smart!

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