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Crowned Lemur Fact Challenge

Name another species of lemur.

There are at least 101 to choose from.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Ring-tailed Lemur Fact Challenge

Name a habitat found in Madagascar.

Habitat is the natural home of an animal.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Aye-aye Fact Challenge

Name one of the five vertebrate groups of animals.

Madagascar is home to many unique animals from all the five vertebrate groups (animals with a backbone).

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Red-bellied Lemur Fact Challenge

Name other animals that have a colour in their common name.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

[Note: Not all these animals will be found in Madagascar.]

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Crowned Lemur Challenge

le lémurien couronné

couronné means crowned and is used to describe this lemur

Name other common adjectives in French.
For example: big, small, long, short, fat, thin etc.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Ring-tailed Lemur Language Challenge

le lémurien à queue annelée

queue means tail

Name other body parts in French.
For example: head, arm, leg, hand, foot, etc.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Aye-aye Language Challenge

l'aye aye

Aye-aye is spelt the same in English and in French but pronounced differently.

Name other words which are spelt the same in English and French.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

Red-bellied Lemur Language Challenge

le lémurien à ventre rouge

rouge means red

Name other colours in French.

Try to name a different one each time someone takes the challenge.

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Crowned Lemur Legend Challenge

Legend – Some Malagasy people believe that lemurs are the souls of their ancestors. The word lemur is from the Latin word *lemures* which means ghosts.

Question – Which feature on a lemur’s face makes them appear ghostly?

Answer - Lemurs have very big eyes for the size of their faces and they are also reflective giving a ghost-like appearance.

Ring-tailed Lemur Legend Challenge

Legend – A famous Madagascan legend describes a man-eating tree that grasps humans and animals with its branches and tendrils.

Question – Is it possible that this story is based on a real plant?

Answer – Yes. There are carnivorous plants. The Madagascan pitcher plant has impressive 'pitchers' that catch insects. However there are no known carnivorous plants which would be able to eat humans or lemurs.

Aye-aye Legend Challenge

Legend – Ancient legends say that the aye-aye is deadly. One myth claims that if an aye-aye points its long, thin middle finger at you, you are cursed to die.

Question – What does the aye-aye use its long, thin finger for?

Answer – The aye-aye uses its long thin finger to get grubs and other food out of small holes in trees.

Red-bellied Lemur Legend Challenge

Legend – *Lemures* and *larvae* are both Latin words for ghosts. This has meant there are many legends about both lemurs and larvae.

Question – In zoology, lemurs and larvae are very different. What are larvae?

Answer –Larvae describes the newly hatched stage of various animals that undergo change called metamorphosis. For example, caterpillar or tadpole.

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Crowned Lemur Threat Challenge No. 1

La chasse excessive is the French translation for one of the threats to the crowned lemur.

Look up *chasse* or the verb *chasser* in a French-English dictionary. Name the threat.

Collect a RED conservation counter

Ring-tailed Lemur Threat Challenge No. 1

Le changement climatique is the French translation for one of the threats to the ring-tailed lemur.

Look up *climatique* in a French-English dictionary. Name the threat.

Collect a RED conservation counter

Aye-aye Threat Challenge No. 1

La perte d'habitat is the French translation for one of the threats to the aye-aye.

Look up *perte* or the verb *perdre* in a French-English dictionary. Name the threat.

Collect a RED conservation counter

Red-bellied Lemur Threat Challenge No. 1

l'incendie des plantations is the French translation for one of the threats to the red-bellied lemur.

Look up *incendie* in a French or English dictionary. Name the threat.

Collect a RED conservation counter