

# Bilby

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bilby Facts

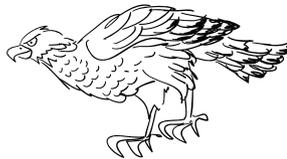
- The bilby is an Australian nocturnal marsupial.
- It has long, blue-grey fur, ears like a rabbit and a bushy black tail with a white tip.
- Bilbies are nocturnal. (active at night)
- Bilbies live in spiralling burrows up to 2 metres deep.
- They have poor vision, but an acute sense of smell and hearing.
- Bilbies are omnivorous. They eat seeds, grubs, bulbs, fruit and insects.
- They do not need to drink water as they get that from their food.
- A bilby's pouch opens backwards so it doesn't get filled with dirt while digging.



Do you know any more interesting facts about bilbies?

## Predators

A predator is an animal that hunts and kills other animals for food.



Which of the following animals are predators of the bilby?

- |        |           |
|--------|-----------|
| wombat | eagle     |
| dingo  | kangaroo  |
| koala  | feral cat |
| fox    | platypus  |

## Drawing

Draw a picture of a bilby showing its white belly and black tail with a white crest at the end, its almost hairless ears, its long pink snout, and its strong forelimbs with their long claws.

## Create a Poster

Bilbies are slowly becoming endangered because of habitat loss, new predators such as feral cats and foxes, and competition for food with rabbits and livestock.

Around Australia there are many people working towards saving the bilby.

Design a poster that informs a reader about why the bilby is endangered and what we can do to help save it.

Make sure your poster has a main message in big clear writing.

Include a picture that supports the main message.

Add other information that helps explain what can be done to help save the bilby.

## Number Crunchers

Tien and his friends made cakes and biscuits to sell to raise money to help save the bilby.

Each cake cost \$3 for ingredients and each biscuit cost 30c for ingredients.

In total, they made 8 cakes and 20 biscuits.

They sold each cake for \$4 and the biscuits were sold for 40c each.

How much did it cost to make all the cakes and biscuits?

If all the cakes and biscuits were sold, how much money did they get in total?

After paying their costs, how much money did they raise?

