Animal Riddles

Check out our list of animal riddles. Every riddle has answer and are categorized by difficulty (easy, medium and hard). Most of them are good for kids.

1. He's small but he can climb a tower.

2. I have a pet, his body is full of coins.

3. What always goes to bed with its shoes on?

4. I have eight to spare and am covered with hair.

5. There is a kind of fish that can never swim. What is that?

6. I cannot hear or even see,
   But sense light and sounds there may be,
   Sometimes I end up on a hook,
   I can be combined with a book.
   What am I?

7. Full of dark, filled with everything
   Both on my skin they color
   With my pack, I am always
   Afraid of the cat.
   What am I?

8. For our ambrosia we were blessed,
   By Jupiter, with a sting of death.
   Though our might, to some is jest,
   We have quelled the dragon's breath.
   Who are we?

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I ate one and threw away two.

The strangest creature you'll ever find: Two eyes in front and many many more behind.

Above the kingdom I reign, Spotted, speckled, with a mane, I travel in packs, And if you’re lucky, you’d ride me. What am I?

What jumps when it walks and sits when it stands?

Tall when seated, short when standing.

Always well dressed, but I never fly. Black and white, sometimes in a tie. I swim and slide, and dance and glide, With one person by my side. What am I?

When it was young, it had a tail. When it grew up, it had knees.

What has a coat? Hugs you not in sympathy? Whose smile you'd rather not see? Whose stance is a terrible thing to see? Who is it that brave men run away from? Whose fingers are clawed? Whose sleep lasts for months? And who's company we shunt? Oh how I love my dancing feet! They stay together - oh so neat. And when I want to walk a line, They all stay together and do double time. I count them up, ten times or more, And race on-off, across the floor.

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From that which comes within itself,  
It builds its table on my shelf.

What goes in the water red, and comes out black?

When they are caught, they are thrown away.  
When they escape, you itch all day.

Although my cow is dead, I still beat her. What a racket she makes!

I fall with the waves, rise with the tide, and drift with the current alongside. What am I?

I come in many colors, some are blue and white.  
While some people annoy me, I am not much for the fight.  
I live where people rarely tread,  
but you will find me close to bed.  
What am I?

I can sizzle like bacon, I am made with an egg,  
I have plenty of backbone, but lack a good leg.  
I peel layers like onions, but still remain whole.  
I can be long like a flagpole, yet fit in a hole.  
What am I?

If a man carried my burden, he would break his back.  
I am not rich, but I leave silver in my track.  
What am I?

It has a long neck,  
A name of a bird,  
Feeds on cargo of ships,  
It's not alive.  
What am I?

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Which bird does not belong in this group? Finch, gull, eagle, ostrich, or sparrow?

A pet shop owner had a parrot with a sign on its cage that said "Parrot repeats everything it hears." A young man bought the parrot and for two weeks he spoke to it and it didn't say a word. He returned the parrot but the shopkeeper said he never lied about the parrot. How can this be?

What animal has no wings, but yet will fly?

I give milk and have a horn but I'm not a cow. Who am I?

How do snails travel?

I don't forget! What am I?

The homes of tiny creatures that collect in corners if you aren't vigilant about dusting.

A blackbird similar to, but much bigger than a crow.

I can honk without using a horn. What am I?

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Black and scary, small and hairy.
In the night you hear it preach,
Through its noisy high pitched screech.

Microparasite expert at sucking the blood of mammals and birds.

With four oars it swims but it is always at home.
Its back is like armor, tougher than chrome.
What is it?

It can be white or blue or black, Humped or have a horn.
And when it talks it sings its menuets, as it's travelling the depths.

What does a cat have that no other animal has?

Old Grandpa Diddle Daddle jumped in the mud puddle,
green cap and yellow shoes. Guess all your loftiness and you can't guess these news.

What is green, has four legs, no tail, and usually heard at night?

What follows a dog wherever it goes?

What animal dwells in water and best known for its work ethic?

A king without a crown.

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I am an animal and a hair product. What am I?

If a dog were filling out a resume, he might list his mastery of this game under "skills."

What lives where it cannot breathe and has a hole in its back?

I am shared by goats, devils, and unicorns. What am I?

I am the home for feathery animals. What am I?

What is the largest living ant on earth?

I am very afraid of doing scary activities. What am I?

Cows do this to salt and humans do it to ice cream.

This noble creature has the embarrassing inability to get up once it’s been flipped onto its back.

I wiggle and cannot see, sometimes underground and sometimes on a tree. I really don't want to be on a hook, and I become a person when combined with book. What am I?

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It is a path of cow juice spread across the sky but cannot be seen by the naked eye.

Though it be cold, I wear no clothes, the frost and snow I never fear; I value neither shoes nor hose, And yet I wander far and near: My diet is forever good, I drink no cider, port, nor sack, what Providence doth send for food, I neither buy, nor sell, nor lack.

I travel in a gaggle. What am I?

I produce wool and spit a lot. What am I?

How a big, hibernating mammal would show affection.

I carried by mad animals. What am I?

I can sing, but I can't talk. I can climb a high tree, but can't run. I have very soft hair and a very hard mouth. What am I?

A stellar five-limbed sea creature.

This is the most famous bank where children keep their assets.

We dwell in cottages of straw, and labor much for little gains; sweet food from us our masters draw, and then with death reward our pains.
What kind of dog chases anything red?

A muttered rumble was heard from the pen, and I, in my walking stopped to look in. What was this I saw? A massive beast, hoofed, and jawed. With spikes upon its mighty brow, I watched as he struck the turf and prowled. And yet for all of his magnificence, he couldn't get out of that wooden fence.

I destroy your home from inside out. What am I?

I am white and I am black. I am fast and I am not fat. I confuse many people with my style. Who am I?

Though it is not an ox, it has horns; Though it is not a donkey, it has packed-saddle; And wherever it goes it leaves silver behind.

What animal gives away money and says moo?

What kind of dog has no tail?

I have four legs but no tail. Usually I am heard only at night.

What animal has feet on the head?

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Canine children. What am I?

What is that which, while it lives, constantly changes its habit, that is buried before it is dead, and whose tomb is valued wherever it is found?

Stealthy as a shadow in the dead of night, cunning but affectionate if given a bite. Never owned but often loved. At my sport considered cruel, but that's because you never know me at all.

Golden treasure I contain, Guarded by hundreds and thousands. Stored in a labyrinth where no man walks, Yet men come often to seize my gold. By smoke I am overcome and robbed, then left to build my treasure anew.

What has armor but is not a knight, snaps but is not a twig, and is always at home even on the move?

A horrid monster hides from the day, with many legs and many eyes. With silver chains it catches prey. And eats it all before it dies. Yet in every cottage does it stay. And every castle beneath the sky.

He is not the skinniest of felines.

It sat upon a willow tree, and sang softly unto me. Easing my pain and sorrow with its song. I wished to fly, but tarried long. And in my suffering, the willow was like a cool clear spring. What was it that helped me so? To spend my time in my woe.

What key is the hardest to turn?

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Holding two swords and eight spears. Dressed in a cow-leather tunic. He peeks through a hole in the door.

A reaction to being spooked that takes its name from waterfowl.

My parents are singers, and while my father has red hair I am pale and completely bald.

I hop around and deliver eggs at Easter. What am I?

I am a activity dogs are very good at when a ball is thrown. What am I?

With no hammer or any kind of tool I build my house so quickly. What am I?

While I did live, I food did give, which many one did daily eat. Now being dead, you see they tread me under feet about the street.

It has plenty of backbone but doesn't have a let. It peels like an orange but it comes from an egg.

Face with a tree, skin like the sea. A great beast I am. Yet vermin frightens me.

It is a cat but not a kitty, You'll never catch on in a city. Its fangs are huge and so its claws, A death machine with paws and jaws. In its own way a royal fellow,

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Striped with black and clothed in yellow.

What creature starts yellow inside and white outside, then becomes its first five before becoming the whole?

I carry my home on my back. I am not rich, but I leave silver in my track. What am I?

It is probably the most laid-back member of the animal kingdom.

I stink in living but when dead smells good. What am I?

It's voice is like a burp,
Will swallow with a slurp,
You'll never hear it chirp.
Kiss it with a wince,
Might turn into a prince.

My treasures are golden and guarded by thousands amongst a maze no man can enter. What am I?

In the fields a frightful thing. Watch it and you will find, it has a pitchfork in the front, and a broom back behind.

What is the only animal without the ability to fly but still does?

In all the world, none can compare, to this tiny weaver, his deadly cloth so silky and fair.
I am a food made from the pressed curds of milk. I come in American, swiss, sharp and many other flavors. What am I?

He's big, old and fluffy,
And looking rather scruffy.
He always needs a shave.
It's best to just avoid him,
And leave him in his cave.

What do you get if you milk a cow after an earthquake?

Hard iron on horse. Cow's hide on man.

I am gold and can be black and white, I'm a symbol for a nation, when freedom took flight. What am I?

What kind of fish chases a mouse?

It rows quickly with four oars but never comes out from under his own roof. What is it?

What wears a coat in the winter and pants in the summer?

A colourful bird that talks.

According to kids' entertainment, these reptiles are gifted at martial arts and surfer-dude slang.
A nutcracker up in a tree.

What animal keeps the best time?

What animal would you get crossed a duck, a beaver, and an otter?

To you, rude would I never be,
Though I flag my tongue for all to see.

Stolen from a cow, I'm placed in a vat. My flavor gets stronger the longer I've sat. What am I?

What has no arms, hands, or legs but moves the earth?

It is worldwide, but once only a spider could weave one.

My first is twice in apple but not once in tart.  
My second is in liver but not in heart.  
My third is in giant and also in ghost.  
Whole I'm best when I am toast.

They swim around in schools or pods and they are related to whales.

I have a tail. I can fly. I'm covered in colorful feathers. I can whistle and I can talk.

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It can be in a hat, Or out of the bag.
If you see it you'll be smitten, 'Cause it's fluffy like a mitten.

I am an insect, half of my name is another insect. I am similar to the name of a famous band. What am I?

It's black and every time it speaks it says its name.

What screams when put in a pot of boiling water?

I can wake you up in the morning but I require no electricity or winding. What am I?

I am a sound made by felines when petted. What am I?

My first master has four legs, my second master has two. My first I serve in life, my second I serve in death. Tough I am, yet soft beside. Against ladies cheeks I often reside.

What bird can lift the heaviest weight?

What grows up while growing down?

Cute hares that hop and deliver eggs at Easter are called by this nickname.

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133 I have two eyes in the front and a lot of eyes on my tail. What am I?

134 Known as a great deceiver, It is evil's incarnation, Once used for veneration, The root of all procreation. All you can do is shiver, When it begins to slither.

135 Long slim and slender. Dark as homemade thunder. Keen eyes and peaked nose. Scares the Devil wherever it goes.

136 Why do French people like to eat snails?

137 He calls in the morning, the day to renew, if his owner gets hungry, he'll be turned to stew. What is he?

138 This guy crossed a road and everyone wants an explanation.

139 Those with eyes bigger than their stomach will definitely leave the restaurant with one of them. It is named after a house pet as well.

140 When I'm metal or wood, I help you get home. When I'm flesh and I'm blood. In the darkness I roam.

141 Though desert men once called me God, today men call me mad. For I wag my tail when I am angry. And growl when I am glad.

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The alphabet goes from A to Z. What goes from Z to A?

Dark, feathery, and popular in Baltimore and fantasy books.

What do you call a dog that sweats so much?

I sleep by day and fly at night, but I have no feathers to aid my flight. What am I?

What animal is the best at baseball?

It is the assumed nocturnal symbol of Mr. Wayne. What is it?

Most people love to use me. You make me glide through the air. Even your dog loves me. What am I?

You are in a room with 3 monkeys. One monkey has a banana, one has a stick, and one has nothing. Who is the smartest primate?

A house has 4 walls. All of the walls are facing south, and a bear is circling the house. What color is the bear?

What do you get when you cross an automobile with a household animal?
According to many students, dogs have an appetite for this paper item.

A celebrity under the sea.

A huge mythical animal said to resemble a whale.

I have no bones and no legs, but if you keep me warm, I will soon walk away. What am I?

I have three heads. Cut off one, I become stronger. Cut off two, I become ten. What am I?

A tasty reward given to well behaved dogs and kids.

Looks like a hippo crossed with a unicorn.

I am a busy worker who is a water mammal. What am I?

I move without wings, between silken strings. I leave as you find my substance behind. What am I?

I have legs but seldom walk; I backbite many but never talk; I seek places that can hide me because those that feed me cannot abide me.

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It's like a forest without trees, Like a jail you want to visit. Though the inmates did no wrong. You may freely walk along, They're put there so you can see them, Just as long as you don't feed them.

I have no eyes, no legs or ears and I help move the earth. What am I?

They are producers of pies and burgers and are great for tipping.

You're gonna need a bigger boat to go after one of these toothy hunters.

I wear a red robe, with staff in hand and a stone in my throat. Cut me and I weep red tears. What am I?

Even if my life is taken eight still remain.

I am a type of animal that hang out in the mist. What am I?

I am partly blind but can still see. I have legs but only use them for sleeping. What am I?

My first is in ocean but never in sea. My second's in wasp but never in bee. My third is in glider and also in flight. My whole is a creature that comes out at night.

The fans of the pied piper's smooth sound who are feared by elephants.

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What scientists might call your pooch.

Agile on my feet, I drive dogs mad. I flick my tail when I'm angry and hum when I'm glad. What am I?

What bird is always unhappy?

Edible beach crawler served at seafood restaurants, similar to a lobster, but quite different.

A prickly house a little host contains; The pointed weapons keep back from pains, So he, unarmed, safe in his fort remains.

Gown but not a priest; crown but not a king.

Often cooked as fillet, this meat comes from an animal that swims underwater.

It is a big and bulky mammal, And has a trunk just like a tree. Will store water in its nose, Which is long and like a hose.

In the morning I sing on feathered wing. I soar through the air without a care. What am I?

It's small but larger than a bee, And agile as a flea. It humms but does not buzz, And it's not covered with fuzz. It is a small collector,

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Of juicy flower nectar.

In a tree you'll find me moving slow as can be.
My name is a sin but from them I am free.
What am I?

My first is in window but not in pane.
My second's in road but not in lane.
My third is in oval but not in round.
My fourth is in hearing but not in sound.
My whole is known as a sign of peace.
And from noah's ark won quick release.

What king can you make if you take the head of a lamb, the middle of a pig, the hind of a buffalo, and the tail of a dragon?

I am known for my natural tuxedo and marching. What am I?

What fish came first?

What do pandas have that no other animal has?

What's an insect's favourite sport?

It is basically a cake made of cow.

A spent round or a slimy critter.

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191 John Lennon sang about being this toothy creature.

192 What build its house with earthen string and ensnares its prey with a biting sting?

193 What rains at the north pole?

194 I’m a red creature from the sea with large claws, or pincers, and I’m often boiled and served as an expensive dish at seafood restaurants.

195 If you are a man then your best friend will eat this for dinner.

196 I am not very commonly found! Only in some rainforest! I have an odd number of toes! I’m very lazy and hang upside down! What am I?

197 Turkey day. What am I?

198 What has a horn but does not work?

199 His eyes were raging, that scraggly beast. His lips were bursting, with rows of angry teeth. Upon his back a razor was found. It was a fearsome battle we fought, my life – or his, one would be bought. And when we were through, and death chilled the air, we cut out his heart, and ate it with flair.

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A man walks out of a house that has four walls all facing north. A bird walks past him. What is it?

Small edible creature from the sea that is often served at restaurants.

What is it that has a power socket on one end and a corkscrew on the other?

If you're stealing honey, be prepared to receive vengeance in this form.

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1. ant
2. piggy bank
3. horse
4. cat
5. dead fish
6. worm
7. zebra
8. bees
9. oyster
10. peacock
11. giraffe
12. kangaroo
13. dog
14. penguin
15. frog
16. bear
17. centipede
18. spider
19. iron
20. fleas
21. drum
22. plankton
23. whales
24. snake
25. snail
26. crane
27. The Ostrich. It doesn’t fly.
28. The parrot was deaf!
29. A caterpillar has no wings, but will fly when it matures and becomes a butterfly.
30. milk truck
31. slowly
32. elephant
33. web
34. raven
35. goose
36. bat
37. flea
38. turtle
39. whale
40. kittens
41. frog
42. frog
43. tail
44. beaver
45. lion
46. moose
47. fetch
48. whale
49. horn
50. nest
51. elephant
52. chicken
53. lick
54. turtle
55. worm
56. Milky Way
57. fish
58. goose
59. llama
60. bear hug
61. rabies
62. bird
63. starfish
64. piggy bank
65. bees
66. bulldog
67. bull
68. termite
69. zebra
70. snail
71. cash cow
72. hot dog
73. frog
74. lice
75. puppy
76. silkworm
77. cat
78. beehive
79. turtle
80. spider
81. fat cat
82. bird
83. donkey
84. crab
85. goosebumps
86. egg
87. bunny
88. fetch
89. spider
90. cow
91. snake
92. elephant
93. tiger
94. chicken
95. snail
96. sloth
97. pig
98. frog
99. beehive
100. bull
101. man
102. spider
103. cheese
104. bear
105. milk shake
106. shoe

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107. eagle
108. catfish
109. turtle
110. dog
111. parrot
112. turtle
113. squirrel
114. watchdog
115. platypus
116. dog
117. cheese
118. worm
119. web
120. pig
121. dolphin
122. parrot
123. cat
124. beetle
125. crow
126. lobster
127. rooster
128. purr
129. fur
130. crane
131. goose
132. bunny
133. peacock
134. snake
135. snake
136. They don't like eating fast food.
137. rooster
138. chicken
139. doggy bag
140. bat
141. cat
142. zebra
143. ravens
144. hot dog
145. bat
146. bat
147. bat
148. frisbee
149. you
150. white
151. carpet
152. homework
153. starfish
154. leviathan
155. egg
156. fox
157. treat
158. rhino
159. beaver
160. spider
161. flea
162. zoo
163. worm
164. cows
165. sharks
166. cherry
167. cat
168. gorilla
169. bat
170. owl
171. mice
172. canine
173. cat
174. bluebird
175. crab
176. hedgehog
177. rooster
178. fish
179. elephant
180. bird
181. hummingbird
182. sloth
183. dove
184. lion
185. penguin
186. goldfish
187. baby pandas
188. cricket
189. meat loaf
190. slug
191. walrus
192. spider
193. reindeer
194. lobster
195. dog food
196. sloth
197. thanksgiving
198. rhinoceros
199. boar
200. penguin
201. shrimp
202. pig
203. sting

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