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MEET MY PET SKUNK...

DO YOU THINK GOD ENJOYED CREATING THE WORLD?

Genesis 1:1: In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

I think He did. He created so many different kinds of animals!

He created the lightning bug, lion and llama, the hippopotamus, hare and hamster, the whale, the wren and the wallaby.

What's YOUR favorite animal? Maybe it's your cat, dog or horse – or maybe it's an unusual pet that lives at your house.

Do you have a pet Pacman frog?

Pacman frogs grow up to six inches (15 cm) long and can spend their entire lives in an aquarium. You just have to remember to feed them a diet of worms, guppies and crickets. Many people keep them as pets, but there's one BIG problem. They bite and can bite hard. So you might not want it curling up on the couch with you while you're watching TV.

Or maybe you have a Madagascar Hissing Cockroach (named MHC for short).

These cockroaches can live up to three years and can grow as big as three inches (7.6 cm) (a little shorter than a computer mouse).

Actually, they're fairly gentle and don't mind being held, though most often they're perfectly happy (if a cockroach can be perfectly happy) living in a fish tank.

Their tummies will be full if you feed them broccoli, grapes, apples or any other kind of fruit or vegetables.

But if Pacman frogs and cockroaches aren't your thing, you could buy a tarantula (if your dad and mom are OK with that). Tarantulas come as big as a foot (30 cm) across. (Maybe you'd prefer one of the inch-long [2.5 cm] ones.) They're easy to care for. All you need to do is make sure they're warm and feed them a couple times a week. (They're happy with a cricket diet.)

If you don't want a small pet that lives in a tank, why not give a home to a skunk?

Skunks are intelligent, curious and can be housebroken. (You might want to have the scent glands removed before bringing him home – then again, having a pet skunk might be a good way to keep your brother out of your room.) Skunks are so intelligent and curious, they can open cupboards and doors. Of course, sometimes that curiosity gets them stuck in tight places. They eat a variety of food, including eggs and fruit.

OK. Maybe instead of a Pacman frog, you'll just stick to your cat or dog or to watching the squirrels scurrying around your yard ...

But isn't it amazing how many different kinds of animals God created? Still more evidence that the Master Designer planned the world. How could anyone even think creation happened by chance?

The next time you take your Madagascar Hissing Cockroach for a walk – thank God for His unusual creation.



The kids at Topeka Baptist Church in Topeka, Kansas, shared some animal riddles with us.

What did the boy dog say to the girl dog? Austin (age 10)

How do you find a lost Dalmatian? Emily (age 8)

What do you get when it's raining cats and dogs? Courtney (age 9)

What do you call a fly without wings? Sean (age 9)



Answers: You're a hot dog; with a spotlight; a poodle; a walk

WHAT BIBLE CHARACTER WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE?

UNUSUAL PETS

We asked the kids at Highland Hills Baptist Church in Highland, Arkansas, what animal they would like to have as a pet.

They said ...

A dog and anaconda. Dakota (age 9)

A dinosaur. Brady (age 9)

A lion. Karin (age 10)

A sea otter. Sarah (age 11)

A monkey. Cygh (age 10)

A hyena. Zak (age 11)

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I would be Job because he had such faith in God. He trusted God to take care of him and praised Him through the hard times. He lost everything – his livestock, his servants, even his children. Yet, he praised the Lord through it all.

And imagine the shock of on a normal day when a servant comes up to you and says, "Master, Master! Some of your enemies have come and killed your servants and livestock and I was the only one who survived."

That is what happened to Job four times. "Master there was an earthquake and it killed your children." "Fire came from the sky and burnt your crops." "Your camels were stolen."

He had such faith and hope and trust in the Lord. And that is why I want to be like Job.

BRAIN GAME

Match the animal to the person. You can check out the verses below to find the answers (they aren't in order), but see how much you can do without looking.

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| David | Lion |
| John the Baptist | Camel |
| Prodigal Son | Rooster/Cock |
| Samson | Locusts |
| Noah | Sheep |
| Rebekah | Swine/pigs |
| Moses | Dove |
| Peter | Snake |

Mark 1:6; Luke 15:15; 1 Samuel 16:19; Matthew 26:34; Judges 14:18; Genesis 24:64; Numbers 21:9; Genesis 8:8

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CLUB NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATE MAY!

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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- National Foster Care Month
- National Barbeque Month
- 2 - Brother and Sister Day
- 4 - Bird Day
- 6 - National Teacher Day
- 10 - National Train Day
- 13 - National Frog Jumping Day
- 18 - International Museum Day
- 26 - Memorial Day
- 30 - Water a Flower Day