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ANIMAL COLLECTION LOG

Record:	Longest beak size
Animal name:	Australian pelican
Scientific Name:	Pelecanus conspicillatus
Type of animal:	Bird
Size:	7.5-8.5 ft (2.29-2.6 m) wingspan, 9-29 lbs (4-13 kg)
Status:*	Least concern
Country/Region	Australia, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Timor Leste
Habitat:	Freshwater, estuarine and marine wetlands and waterways

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Australian pelicans are one of the largest flying birds in the world and have the longest bills of any living bird.

2. They are carnivores and eat mostly fish, which are swallowed whole!

3. There is an orbital ring of yellow skin around their eyes.

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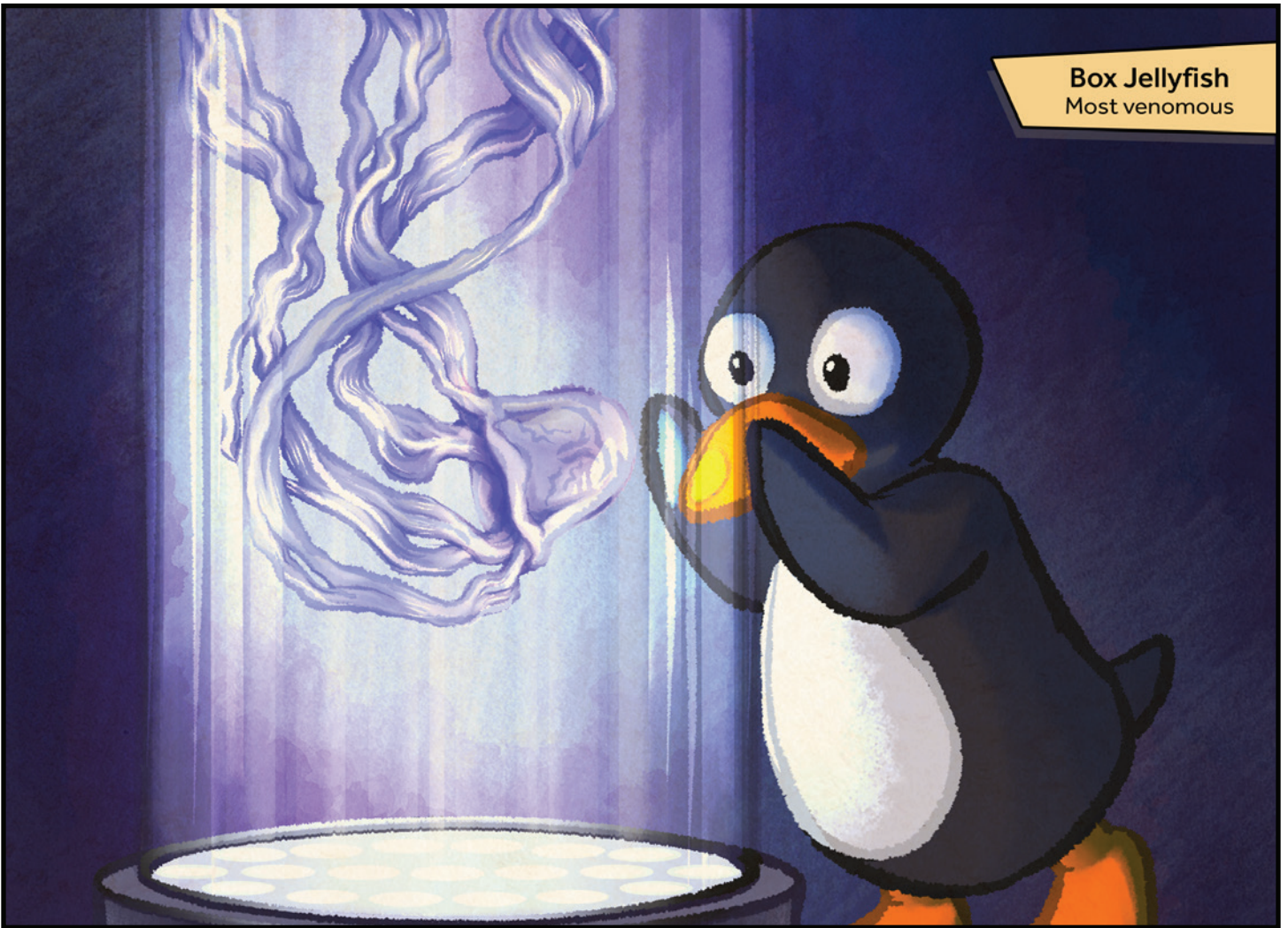|	
Record:	Largest living reptile
Animal name:	Saltwater crocodile
Scientific Name:	Crocodylus porosus
Type of animal:	Reptile
Size:	Up to 17 ft (5.18 m) long, 1,000 lbs (453.6 kg)
Status:*	Least concern
Country/Region	Northern Australia to southeast Asia and eastern India
Habitat:	Saltwater and freshwater waterways

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Saltwater Crocodiles are one of the oldest creatures to walk the planet - they first appeared over 240 million years ago!

2. Their powerful jaws are 45 times stronger than a human's bite and 6 times stronger than a great white shark!

3. To cool off, they sit near a riverbank with their mouths open.

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Record:	Most venomous (per second)
Animal name:	Box jellyfish
Scientific Name:	Chiropsalmus quadrumanus
Type of animal:	Invertebrate
Size:	1 ft (30 cm) diameter, 10 ft (3 m) long, 5 lbs (2.2 kg)
Status:*	Not globally threatened
Country/Region	Indo-Pacific regions and worldwide
Habitat:	Ocean

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Box jellyfish have 60 tentacles in four clumps along the base of the bell.

2. They have 24 eyes spread across all four sides of their bell, meaning that they have 360° vision.

3. Unlike most other jellyfish, who simply float through the water, box jellyfish can actually swim.

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Python
Most bones

Record:	Most bones
Animal name:	Python
Scientific Name:	Python
Type of animal:	Reptile
Size:	33 ft (10 m) long, 250 lbs (113.4 kg)
Status:*	Vulnerable
Country/Region	Every continent except for Antarctica
Habitat:	Grasslands, swamps, marshes, rainforests, and rocky foothills

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Pythons are expert swimmers.

2. They have four rows of back-curving teeth in their upper jaw and two rows of teeth in their lower jaw!

3. Pythons have special temperature-sensitive "pits," or holes, along their jaws that can sense the heat of a nearby animal.

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Phoenix Fowl
Longest feather

Record:	Longest feather (domesticated)
Animal name:	Phoenix fowl
Scientific Name:	Gallus gallus
Type of animal:	Bird
Size:	Up to 25 ft (7.6 m) tail length, 3-5 lbs (1.4-2.3 kg)
Status:*	Vulnerable
Country/Region	Worldwide
Habitat:	Warmer climates

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Phoenix fowl are very friendly and make great pets.

2. A male's tail feathers can grow up to 25 feet in length!

3. A single female Phoenix fowl can lay up to 280 eggs per year, each weighing about 1.8 oz (50 g).

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Etruscan Shrew
Smallest mammal

Record:	Smallest mammal/fastest heartbeat
Animal name:	Etruscan shrew
Scientific Name:	Suncus etruscus
Type of animal:	Mammal
Size:	Up to 2 in (5 cm) long, 0.06 oz (1.8 g)
Status:*	Least concern
Country/Region	Europe, Asia and North Africa
Habitat:	Forests and grasslands

DID YOU KNOW?

1. An Etrusan shrew heart can beat up to 1511 beats per minute - that's 18 times faster than a human's heartbeat!

2. When food is scarce, Etruscan shrews can lower their body temperature and hibernate temporarily.

3. They eat up to two times their body weight per day.

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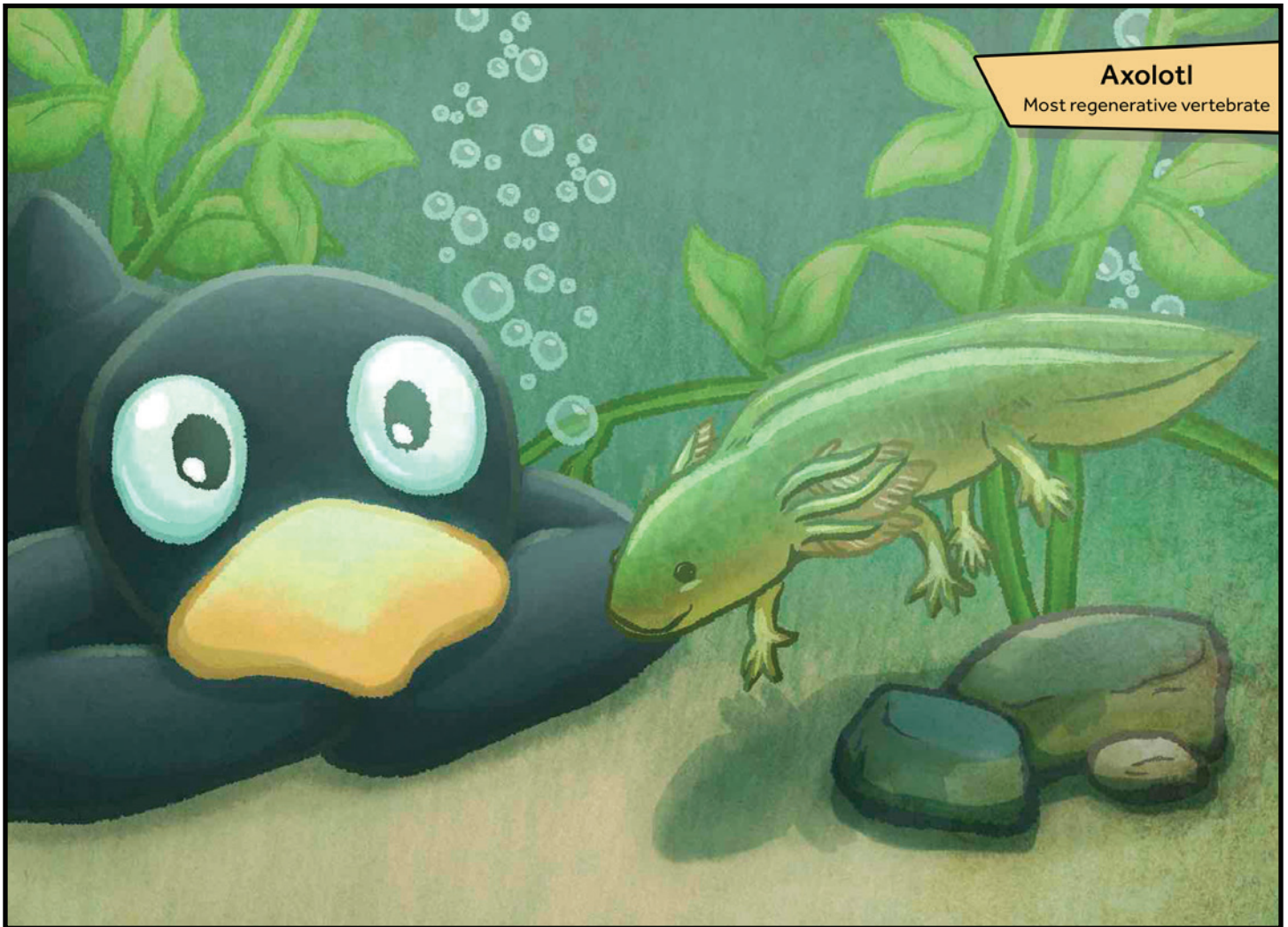
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Three-toed Sloth
Slowest Mammal

Record:	Slowest mammal
Animal name:	Three-toed sloth
Scientific Name:	Bradypus
Type of animal:	Mammal
Size:	Up to 23 in (58 cm) long, 8.8 lbs (4 kg)
Status:*	Vulnerable
Country/Region	Central and South America
Habitat:	Tropical rainforests

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Three-toed sloths have the slowest metabolism of any mammal, taking a month to digest their food.

2. Three-toed sloths spend only about 10% of their time moving.

3. They have eight or nine neck vertebrae, which is more than most mammals, allowing them to turn their necks 270 degrees.

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Record:	One of the most regenerative vertebrate
Animal name:	Axolotl
Scientific Name:	Ambystoma mexicanum
Type of animal:	Amphibian
Size:	9-12 in (22-30 cm) long, up to 8 oz (226 g)
Status:*	Critically endangered
Country/Region	Only in Lake Xochimilco in Mexico
Habitat:	Freshwater lake

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Axolotls have the unique ability to regenerate, or regrow, injured or missing limbs and some other body parts.

2. The word axolotl ("water monster") comes from the Nahuatl language of the Aztec.

3. Axolotls have a huge appetite and will eat almost anything they can fit in their mouths.

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Cuvier's Beaked Whale
Deepest diving mammal

Record:	Deepest diving mammal
Animal name:	Cuvier's beaked whale
Scientific Name:	Ziphius cavirostris
Type of animal:	Mammal
Size:	15-23 ft (4.6-7 m) long, 4,000-6,000 lbs (1,814-2,722 kg)
Status:*	Least concern
Country/Region	Worldwide distribution, found in all oceans
Habitat:	Deep ocean waters

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Cuvier's beaked whale holds the record for deepest and longest dive of any mammal on earth - 9,816 ft (2992 m).

2. They don't have teeth to grip their prey so they use a suction method to feed.

3. They have flipper pockets, an adaption for diving which allows them to tuck their flippers in and make their bodies super-sleek.

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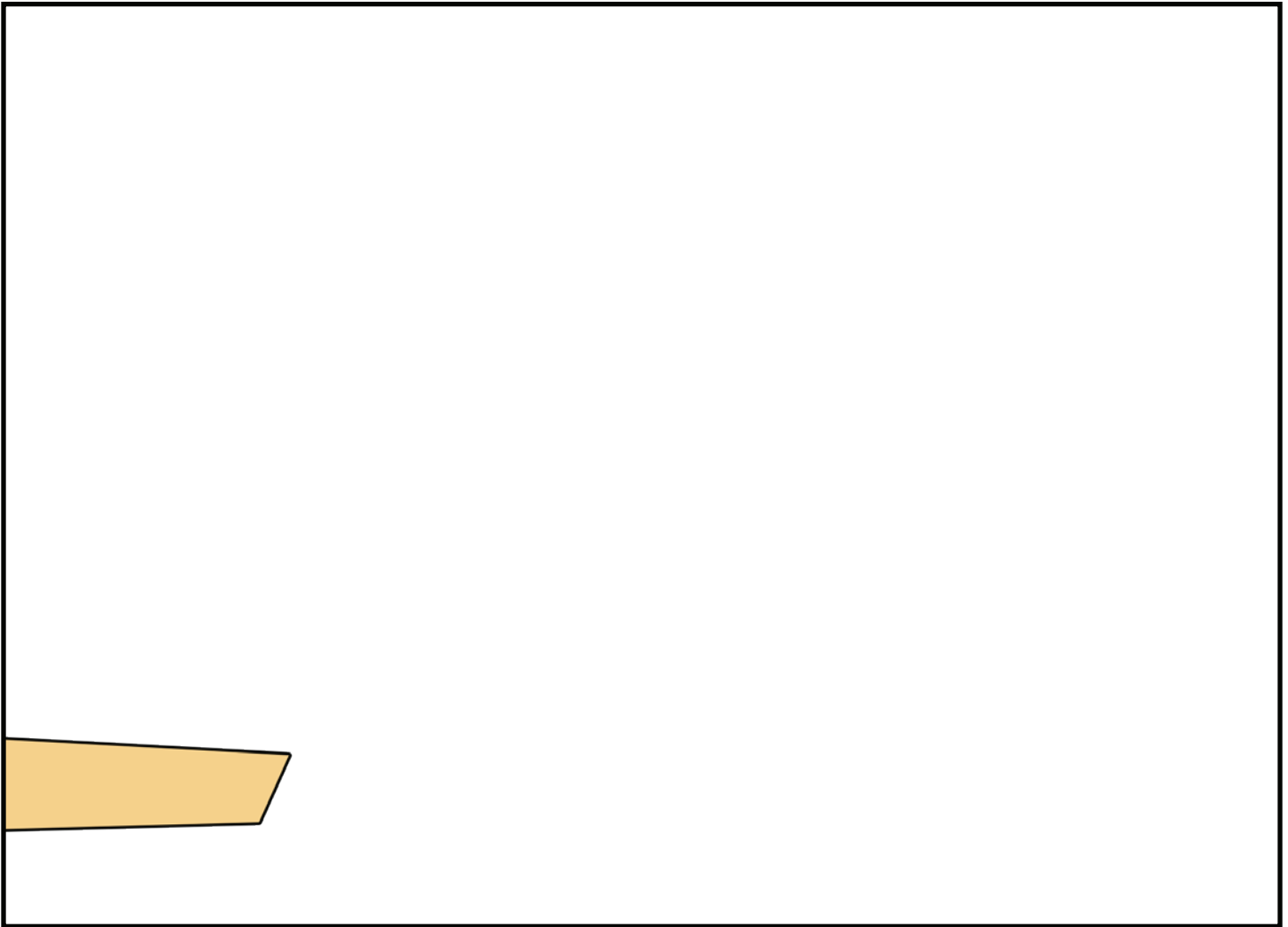
Record:	Largest penguin
Animal name:	Emperor penguin
Scientific Name:	Aptenodytes forsteri
Type of animal:	Bird
Size:	3.5-4.5 ft (1-1.4 m) tall, 50-80 lbs (22.6-36.3 kg)
Status:*	Near threatened
Country/Region	Antarctica
Habitat:	Polar desert

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Emperor Penguins can dive deeper (1,640 ft, 500 m) and survive longer without eating (4 months) than any other bird.

2. They have large stores of insulating body fat and several layers of scale-like feathers that protect them from icy winds.

3. Scientists use satellites in space to spot new colonies of Emperor penguins.

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