Animal Facts Cloze Reading 🦘

Name: _____ Date: _____

Instructions: Read each passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

Word Bank

ocean • plants • pouch • night • nectar • birds • water • flippers

1. Penguins 🐧

Penguins are _____ that cannot fly. They live near the _____ and are excellent swimmers. Penguins use their _____ to move quickly through the water when hunting for fish.

2. Kangaroos 🦘

Kangaroos are found in Australia. A baby kangaroo is called a joey. After it is born, the tiny joey crawls into its mother's _____ where it stays safe and warm. Kangaroos eat grasses and other _____.

3. Tūī

The tūī is a native New Zealand bird. It has beautiful blue and green feathers with a white tuft at its throat. The tūī feeds on _____ from flowers using its special brush-like tongue. It is an important pollinator for many native trees.

4. Kiwi

The kiwi is New Zealand's national bird. Unlike most birds, the kiwi is active at _____. It has a long beak that it uses to sniff out insects and worms in the ground. The kiwi needs to drink _____ every day to stay healthy.

Challenge: On the back of this sheet, write two interesting facts about your favourite animal.