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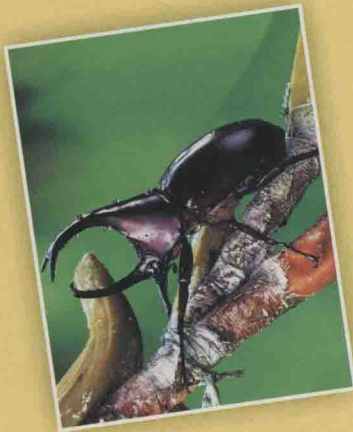
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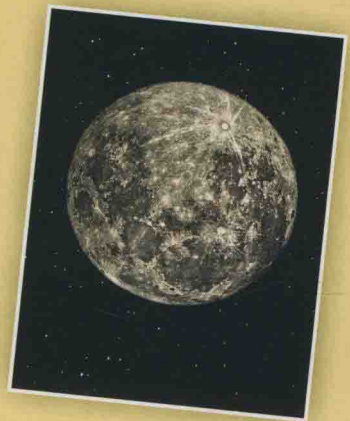


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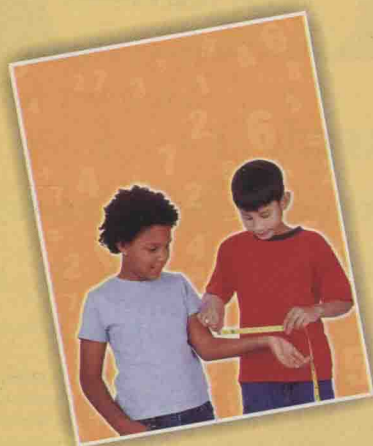
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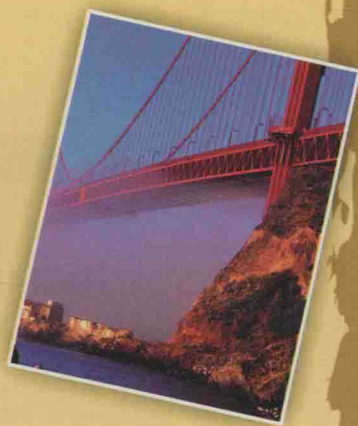
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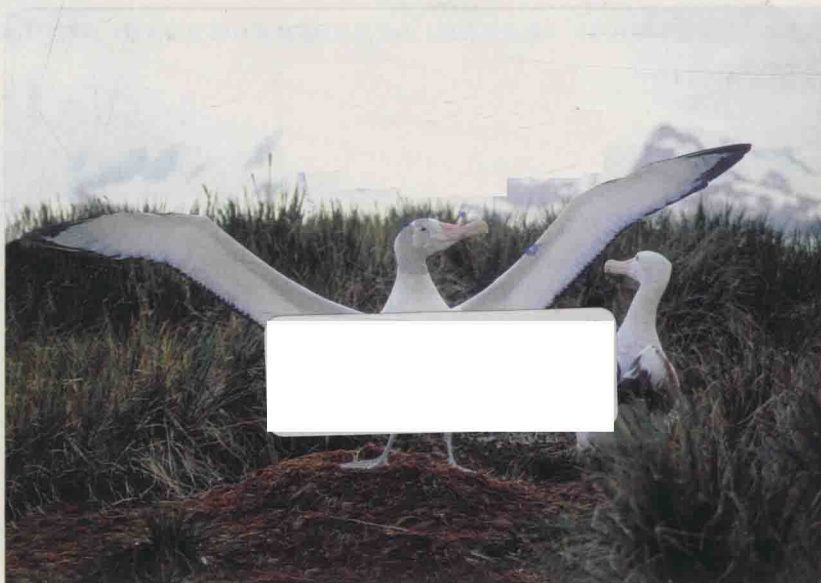
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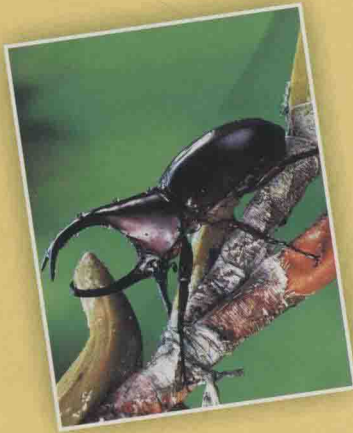
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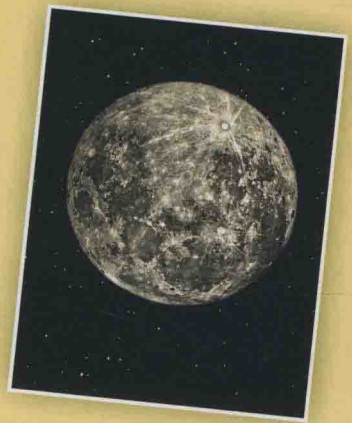


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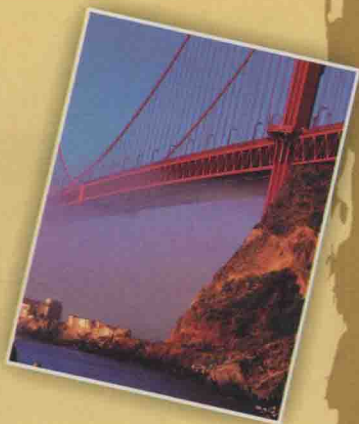
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ANIMAL RECORDS

In this section, you'll get touch with some amazing animals, and take a look at their records.

记忆词汇



adult /'ædʌlt/

adj. 成年的; n. 成年人

central /'sentrel/

adj. 中心的, 中央的

compare /kem'per/

v. 比较, 对照

creature /'kri:tʃə/ n. 生物

drag /dræg/ v. 拖, 曳

forward /'fɔ:rwəd/

adv. 向前, 前进

height /haɪt/ n. 高度, 身高

length /lenθ/ n. 长, 长度

measure /'meɪʒə/

v. 测量(长、宽、高等)

tiny /'taɪni/ adj. 极小的

tip /tɪp/

n. 尖端, 顶端, 末端

weigh /wei/

v. 重……; n. 重量

wing /wɪŋ/ n. 翼, 翅膀

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Word Attack and Vocabulary Skills

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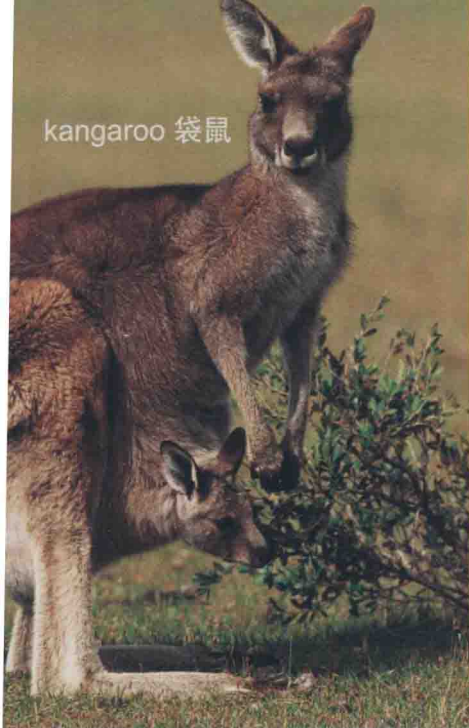
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- Identifying root words
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- Using apostrophes: Contractions, possessives
缩字符的用法：表示省略和所有格

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- Using scales, graphs, and charts to compare numeric data
用比例、图标、图表来比较数值
- Observing characteristics of animals
观察动物的特征
- Comparing features and information about various animals
辨别各种动物的特性





kangaroo 袋鼠

Amazing Animals!

From the kangaroo to the toucan, the world is full of amazing animals. One of the most amazing things about animals is how different they can be. Animals come in all shapes and sizes. Let's take a look at some **record-setting creatures** in the animal **kingdom**.

阅读进阶词汇

kingdom /'kɪŋdəm/

n. 王国

record-setting

/'rekərd'setɪŋ/

adj. 创纪录的



toucan 巨嘴鸟



clownfish 小丑鱼

Largest

In the animal kingdom, large can mean very large. The world's largest animal lives in the sea. The blue whale can **weigh** as much as 150,000 kilograms. The blue whale weighs 25 times as much as the largest land animal, the African elephant.

Weighing In

Blue whale
150,000 kilograms



African elephant
6,000 kilograms

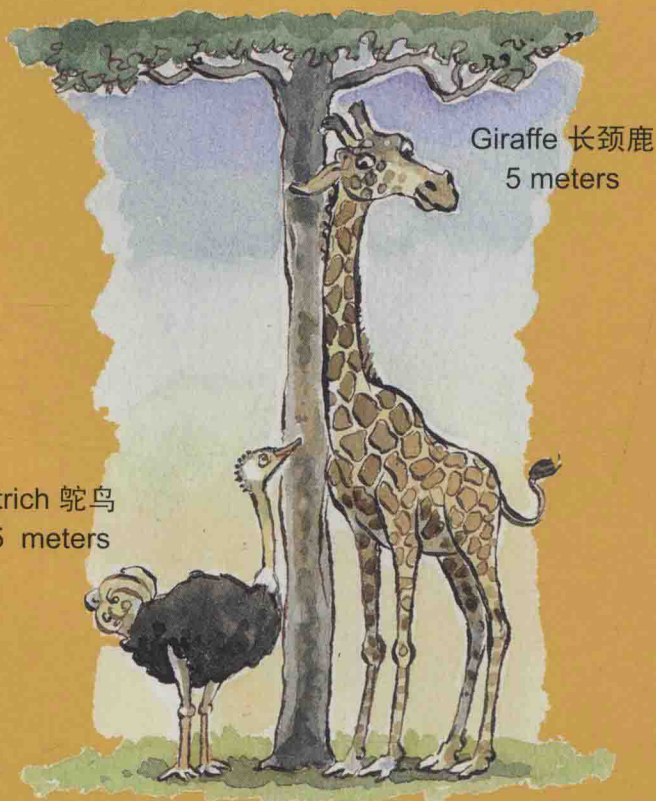
Blue whales swim in oceans
all over the world.



Tallest

When it comes to **height**, the giraffe wins the prize. No animal is taller. **Adult** giraffes can grow to be five meters tall. Even baby giraffes are tall. Giraffes are 2 meters when they are born.

Taller Than All Others



Ostrich 鸵鸟
2.5 meters

Giraffe 长颈鹿
5 meters

Giraffes live in the
grasslands of Africa.



Longest Wingspan

From wing tip to wing tip, the albatross has the largest **wingspan** of any bird. This seabird's wings can **measure** more than three and half meters from tip to tip.

阅读进阶词汇

sailboat /'seɪlbəʊt/ *n.* 帆船
soar /sɔː/ *v.* 高飞, 翱翔

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wingspan /'wɪŋspæn/ *n.* 翼展

Sizing Up an Albatross



- ▲ The wingspan of an albatross (信天翁) is about the same **length** as a small **sailboat**.