Animal Group Behavior

Grade 3 Science Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

1. After a wolf pack catches food, what happens to pups that did not join the hunt?

   they still get fed because the pack shares

   the pack leader eats their share

   they eat only plants until they are grown

   they wait until they can hunt on their own

2. Several adult elephants take turns watching the calves in a herd. What does sharing this job help the herd do?

   give each calf less attention

   protect the calves even when one adult is busy

   keep the calves apart from the herd

   let one adult raise all the calves

3. Canada geese fly south in a V shape. What does this shape help the geese do?

   save energy by riding air lifted by the bird ahead

   help the geese sleep while flying

   keep each goose at the same height

   let the lead goose see the birds behind it

4. Which behavior is not a group behavior?

   A turtle sleeps by itself under a log.

   Bees work together in a hive.

   Fish swim together in a school.

   Wolves hunt together in a pack.

5. A herd of deer watches for danger while some deer eat. How can the group help them survive?

   standing close makes the herd look like one giant animal

   more eyes can watch for predators while others eat

   herds help deer remember the best grazing spots

   the biggest deer guards the others by itself

6. A pride of lions hunts a zebra together. Why does this help them?

a group makes less noise than one lion

several lions together can catch prey one lion could not

lions in a group each need less food

a group chases prey away from the den

7. Weaver birds build many nests close together in one tree. What does nesting close together help the birds do?

build one giant nest instead of many

watch for predators together

find food without leaving the tree

share body warmth through the cold season

8. Thousands of starlings twist and turn together in the sky. What does flying this way help them do?

help the flock fly in a straight line

keep the flock the same size all winter

make it hard for a hawk to target one bird

let the oldest starlings choose the route

9. Many seals gather on the same beach to have their pups. How does this help the pups?

each pup gets fed by many mothers

more adult seals nearby can help protect them

gathering keeps the beach warmer

the pups learn to swim on the sand

10. Meerkats take turns standing guard through the day. Why do they take turns?

so the guard can eat before the others

so every meerkat gets time to rest and eat

so each meerkat can pick a favorite lookout

so the biggest meerkat can guard the longest

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