**A World of Magical Beasts**

You can read the text here: <https://www.worldbookday.com/resource/miscellany-magical-beasts/>

Independent questions

Please answer **every** questions as a **full sentence.** When you have finished, check spelling – especially words which could have been copied from the text correctly.

(Introduction questions)

1. On which pages in the book would I find information about Merpeople?
2. For many hundreds of years, where are creatures have been said to **lurk?**
3. Name three things that fairies do.
4. Name two things that giants do.
5. Which words in the paragraph beginning ‘the many exotic beast…’ tell you that the author is directly addressing the reader?
6. Which two creatures make up a centaur?
7. What is the magical ability that selkie has?
8. Find a word in the last sentence of the first page which means **mesmerizing**.

(Phoenix questions)

1. The Phoenix dies and comes back to life again, find a word in the first sentence which means this.
2. According to legend where does the phoenix take its egg to?
3. A) Where is the bird’s homeland, which it returns to after delivering its egg?

B) But where is the ‘true’ home of the phoenix?

1. What is a phoenix egg made from?
2. How long do phoenixes live for?
3. If phoenixes are featured in Egyptian, Greek and Roman mythology what does that tell you about them?
4. Do you think that phoenixes could have been based on real animals/birds? Is there something in the text that supports this?