

## Food

Crocodiles do not need to feed often. Some crocodiles only eat twice a year.

Crocodiles do not chew their food. They tear off large chunks and swallow them whole. Stones have been found in the stomachs of crocodiles. The stones help the crocodiles to break up the food.



*This young crocodile must learn to hunt. It looks for food that it can swallow whole, such as this dragonfly.*

1 How often do crocodiles eat?

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2 How do crocodiles eat their food?

Tick **one**.

They tear off chunks.

They chew it well.

They spit it out.

They bite little pieces.

# Crocodile Facts

## Size

Crocodiles never stop growing. A baby crocodile is shorter than a ruler. Young crocodiles grow about 30 cm a year. Older crocodiles grow about 4 cm a year.

The longest crocodile ever seen was over eight metres long. That is as long as two jeeps.



## Age

A really old crocodile can live for over 100 years.

3 How long is a baby crocodile?

Tick **one**.

4 cm

shorter than a ruler

longer than two jeeps

shorter than a finger

4 How old do some crocodiles live to be?

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5 *That is as long as two jeeps.*

In this sentence *as long as* means...

Tick **one**.

the same length

smaller

bigger

taller

## Mark schemes

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### ***Amazing crocodile facts***

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| 1 | Not often.<br>(Only) twice a year.                                     | 1 |
| 2 | They tear off chunks.  | 1 |
| 3 | Shorter than a ruler.  | 1 |
| 4 | (For over) a hundred years.<br><i>Also accept:</i><br>100/one hundred. | 1 |
| 5 | The same length.   | 1 |