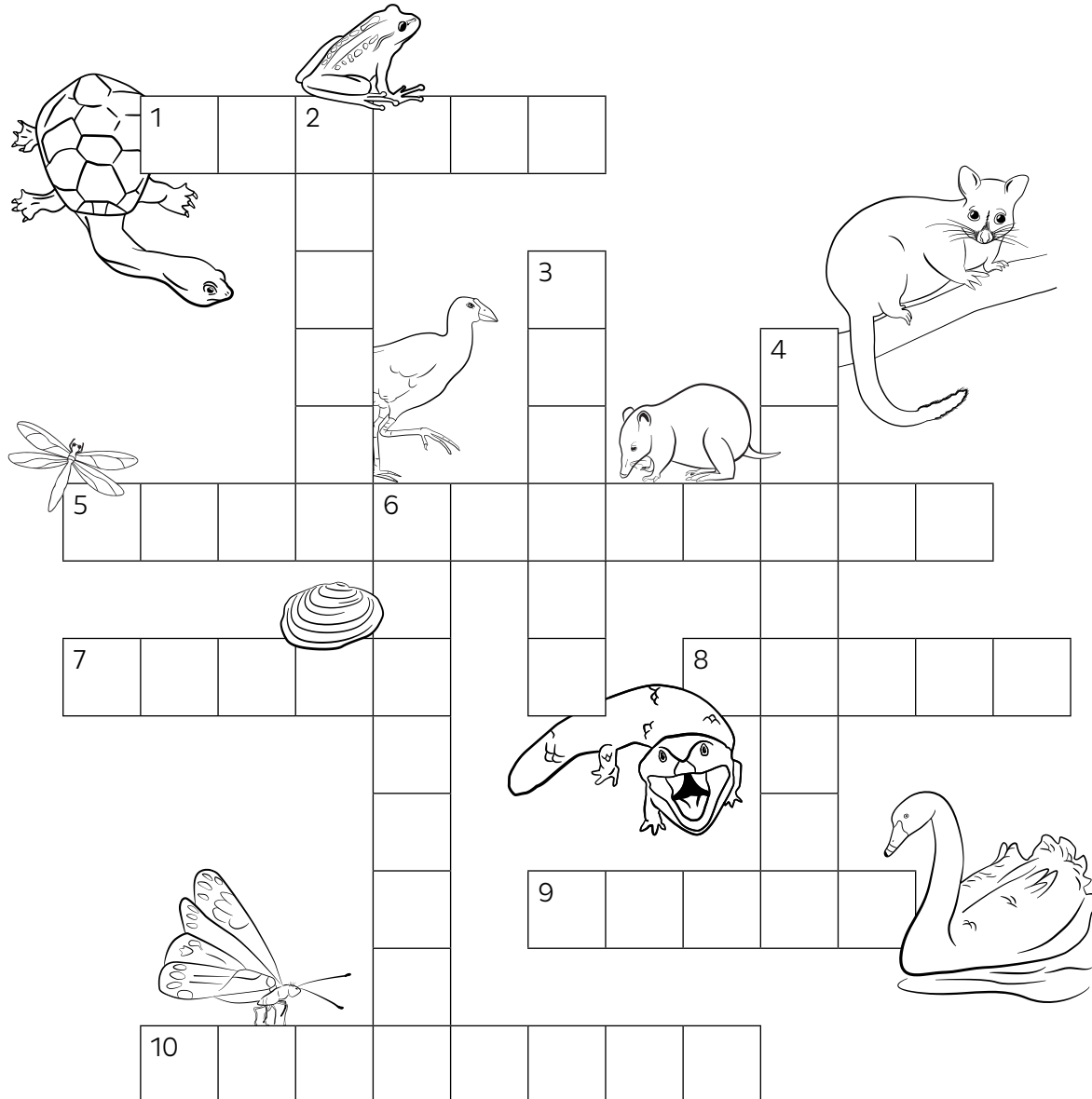




NOONGAR

Animal Words

Can you match the common names of these animals, found in Whiteman Park, to their Noongar names to complete the crossword?



ACROSS

1. Long-necked turtle
5. Dragonfly
7. Freshwater mussel
8. Bobtail lizard
9. Black swan
10. Butterfly

DOWN

2. Motorbike frog
3. Southern brown bandicoot
4. Brushtail possum
6. Purple swamphen



Noongar fauna names

Learn the Noongar names of some of our favourite resident animals of *Kordiny Karla Boodja*: Bennett Brook that begins in Whiteman Park and flows from Mussel Pool to the Swan River.

Kordiny Karla Boodja was a camping place for the Wadjuk Noongar people, and the rivers, springs and streams are considered the home of the Waugal, or Rainbow Serpent. It is the life stream of Whiteman Park and surrounding areas.



Barn Barn (butterfly)

By pollinating our plants and flowers, the barn barn are essential to our environment. They begin their lives at caterpillars before slowly becoming vibrant, winged beauties!



Djerkan Noort (dragonfly)

With excellent vision and great flying skills, the djerkan noort will keep other pests like mosquitos out of your backyard – by eating them!



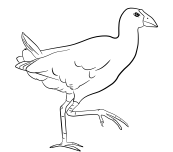
Koomoorl (brushtail possum)

The koomoorl is known to sleep in small, enclosed spaces, such as tree hollows and caves – during the day! At night, they scavenge for food, eating anything from leaves and flowers to insects and eggs.



Kooyar (motorbike frog)

With long, powerful jumps made possible by their strong back legs, this kooyar's croak sounds like a motorbike changing gears! Have you heard them?



Kwirlman (purple swamp hen)

As well as in Australia, the vibrant kwirlman can be found in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, and New Zealand, where they likely came from. New Zealand Maori culture considers them a villainous pest!



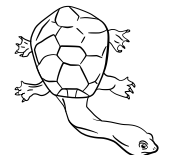
Maali (black swan)

Our official state bird likes to travel! The maali are migratory, meaning that they have many different homes throughout the year. Pairs return year-on-year to Horse Swamp to breed.



Quenda (Southern brown bandicoot)

Whilst rare in Western Australia, the quenda are a common sight in Whiteman Park, although they are supposed to sleep during the day! Their pointed snouts are ideal for looking in the leaf litter and soil for food.



Yakkan (long-necked turtle)

These water-loving reptiles are known by many other names, including oblong turtle and snake-necked turtle. The yakkan shell is oblong, not round like other turtles!



Yinbi (freshwater mussel)

Found in freshwater streams, rivers, lakes and ponds, the yinbi gave the scenic picnic area of Mussel Pool its name. Their smooth shells help them burrow into the bottom of their watery homes. Sometimes, they stay burrowed down for years, until the water conditions are best!



Yoorn (bobtail lizard)

These slow-moving reptiles are most commonly found in Western Australia. Yoorn enjoy sunbathing in warm spots on a sunny day, but if you disturb them, they might flash their blue tongue at you to warn you off!
