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**Level 4 – 9th September 2024**

## **Marmoset monkeys call each other by name**

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**Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2409/240909-marmosets-4.html>

Marmosets call each other by name. The primates are native to South America. Scientists from a university in Israel studied 10 marmosets. The team found that the animals used unique calls with other monkeys. The study's co-author said marmosets are the first non-human primates known to use names. Researchers studied marmosets in a variety of pairings. They then used A.I. to analyze more than 50,000 monkey calls and find the names.

The findings could show how human language evolved. People thought that our language was unique. However, a researcher said there is "evidence that this is not the case". He speculated on how marmosets developed names. He said: "Marmosets live in...family groups, and take care of their young together, much like humans do." He said these similarities suggest marmosets faced similar evolutionary challenges to early humans.

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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                  |                        |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Marmosets call each           | a. variety of pairings |
| 2. The primates are native       | b. names               |
| 3. the animals used unique calls | c. 50,000 monkey calls |
| 4. the first non-                | d. to South America    |
| 5. marmosets in a                | e. human primates      |
| 6. They then                     | f. used A.I.           |
| 7. analyze more than             | g. other by name       |
| 8. find the                      | h. with other monkeys  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| 1. show how human language              | a. young           |
| 2. People thought that our language     | b. evolved         |
| 3. a researcher said there is           | c. challenges      |
| 4. this is not                          | d. developed names |
| 5. how marmosets                        | e. evidence        |
| 6. take care of their                   | f. humans          |
| 7. marmosets faced similar evolutionary | g. was unique      |
| 8. early                                | h. the case        |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Marmosets call each (1) \_\_\_\_\_. The primates are (2) \_\_\_\_\_ America. Scientists from a university in Israel studied 10 marmosets. The team found that the animals (3) \_\_\_\_\_ with other monkeys. The study's co-author said marmosets are the first (4) \_\_\_\_\_ known to use names. Researchers studied marmosets in a (5) \_\_\_\_\_. They then used A.I. to analyze more than 50,000 (6) \_\_\_\_\_ find the names.

The findings could show how (7) \_\_\_\_\_. People thought that our (8) \_\_\_\_\_. However, a researcher said there is "evidence that this is (9) \_\_\_\_\_". He speculated on how marmosets developed names. He said: "Marmosets live in...family groups, and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ their young together, much like humans do." He (11) \_\_\_\_\_ suggest marmosets faced similar evolutionary (12) \_\_\_\_\_ humans.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# NAMES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2409/240909-marmosets-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about names in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

