



Our animals have been really loving all this spring sunshine. It's such a pity that there are no visitors here enjoying it too, but we hope that you've been able to get out somewhere - even if only for short bursts.

Update on the gibbon family ...

Slammet (mum), Nkula (dad) and their young son Ffinlo have lived at the Wildlife Park for nearly four years now, and it's hard to imagine the Park without them.



Ffinlo, who was born here and will be three in August, is quite independent and mischievous nowadays, but mum is never far away.

Gibbons like to relax by grooming one another's fur, which is what Slammet and Nkula are doing in the photo (below left). Meanwhile - where is Ffinlo? Yep, that's him, high up in a tree and looking pretty pleased with himself!

The animal keepers think it's possible that Ffinlo might have a little brother or sister before too long. Who knows! We'll have to wait and see.

Do you know where Silvery gibbons can be found in the wild?

Exciting penguin news



This picture is actually a peek inside the nestbox of one of our penguins. And yes, you can see a tiny chick, next to an egg from which his brother or sister is about to hatch! Do you know how long a Humboldt penguin egg takes before it hatches? (This is called the **incubation** time.)

Whose dinner?



Whose delicious meal is this? Clue: there may be a bit of squabbling, and it will be gone fast!

Which animal? Unscramble the letters to find out!

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t e e m a r k
n i p p e r c o u



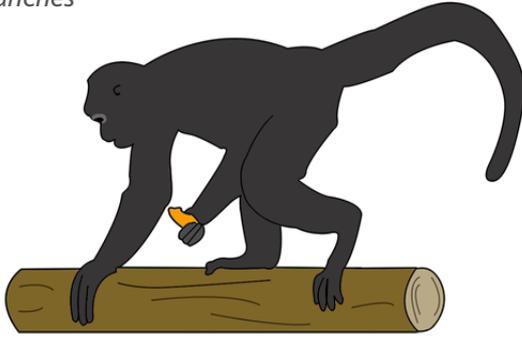
Animal of the Week

Spider Monkey

Very long limbs help them swing and leap through the branches

Hands can hold food or branches

No thumbs to get in the way when swinging



Strong prehensile tail is able to hold things

Bare skin (like the palm of your hand) under the tail tip to help grip

Habitat

Top of the tree canopy in tropical rainforests in South America

Food in the Wild

Mostly fruit, but also leaves, flowers, bark, and occasionally insects and birds' eggs

Superpower

Their tail can hold on to branches and support their weight!

Spider monkeys are not afraid of heights! With the help of their strong tail, they swing from branch to branch, at 40 meters above the ground. A baby spider monkey rides on his mum's tummy or back as she swings ... imagine that!

! Nooo! Spider monkeys are in danger of extinction because their rainforests are being destroyed



Puzzle Time

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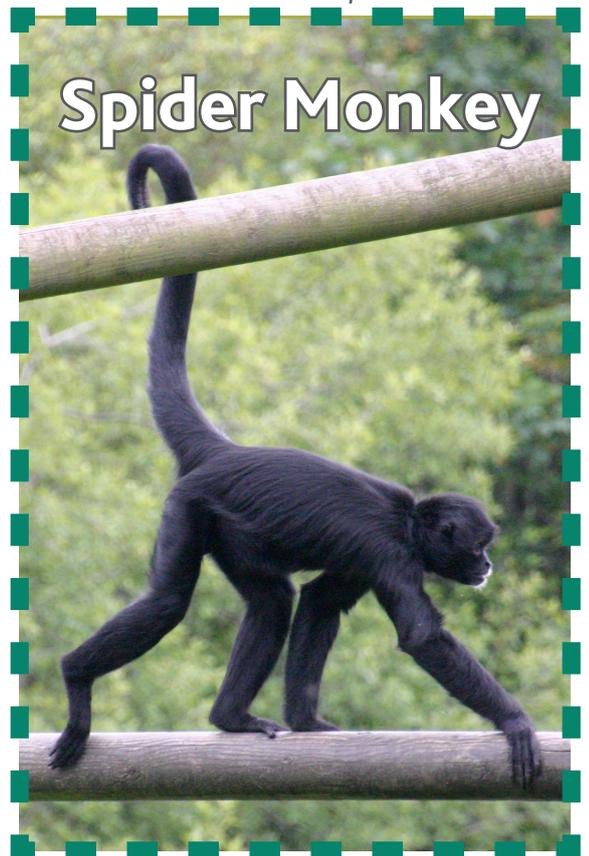
Quick Quiz - Who am I?

- I'm a bird who needs special food to keep "in the pink"
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- I'm a well-known marsupial that lives on the IOM
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- I'm a primate from Madagascar
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- I'm the closest cousin of humans at the Wildlife Park
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answers

Silvery gibbons are from the island of Java; Which animal: chipmunk, meerkat, porcupine; Humboldt penguin egg hatches in 42 days; Whose dinner - meerkats; Maths puzzle: 29; Quick quiz: 1) flamingo 2) wallaby 3) lemur 4) gibbon; DID YOU SPOT KUSH HIDING?

Cut out and keep me



**Coming up soon:
Watch out for the Wildlife Park
Education YouTube Channel**

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