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DUBLIN ZOO  
ACTIVITY BOOK

**WESTERN  
LOWLAND GORILLA**



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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Dublin Zoo's **#DUBLINZOOFUN** series where we will give you and your children a daily activity booklet to work together to complete.

All of the answers you will need to complete this activity booklet can be found on the Dublin Zoo website – [www.dublinzoo.ie](http://www.dublinzoo.ie), or on our social media pages.

If you and your children are taking part in these activities, don't forget to tag **#DUBLINZOOFUN** in your progress pictures so we can share them on our Instagram and Facebook Stories.

Have fun and stay safe! – **DUBLIN ZOO**

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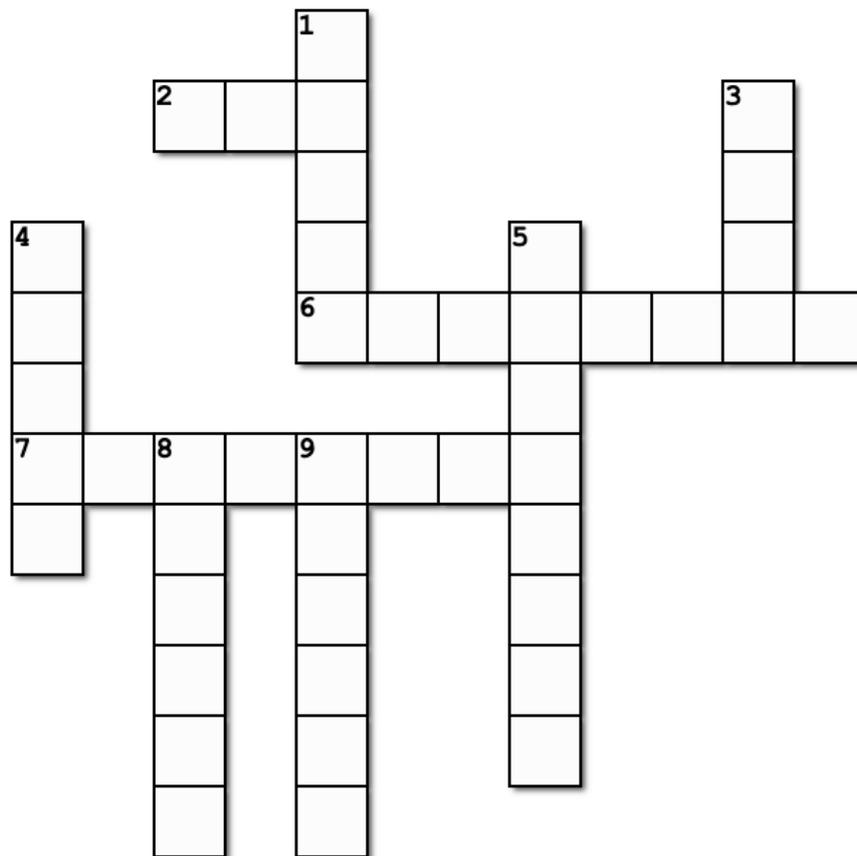


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## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

2. What part of their mother's body do baby gorillas cling onto?
6. What animal order is a gorilla part of?
7. What study does Dublin Zoo support to help gorilla conservation?

### DOWN

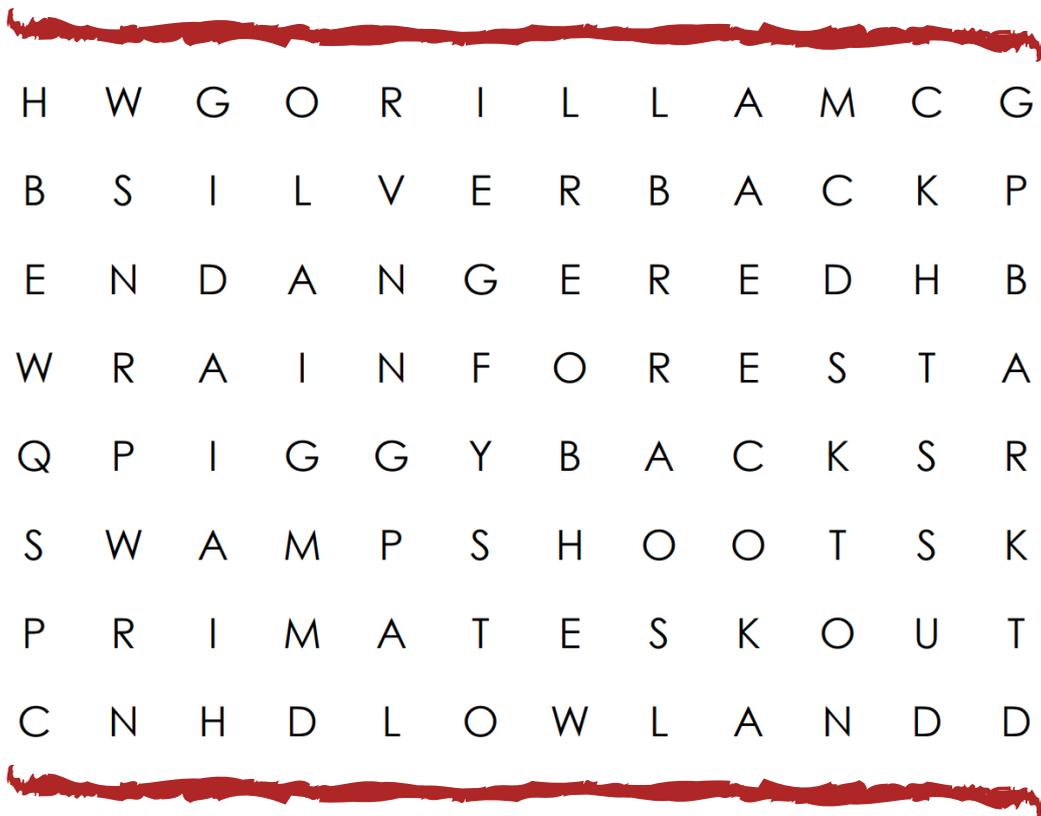
1. What is a group of gorillas called?
3. What unique prints do gorillas have similar to fingerprints?
4. Apart from a forest, what other type of habitat might you find a gorilla in?
5. What word describes a gorilla's diet?
8. What is a gorilla's favourite activity?
9. What is a baby gorilla called?

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## WORDSEARCH



ENDANGERED  
PIGGYBACKS  
RAINFOREST  
SILVERBACK

PRIMATES  
LOWLAND  
GORILLA  
SHOOTS

SWAMPS  
BARK

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### FILL IN THE BLANKS

Western lowland gorillas, the subspecies of gorilla at Dublin Zoo, have black \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, which covers the whole body excluding the face, ears, palms and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. Males are larger than females and grow \_\_\_\_\_ hair on their back when they are the dominant male which gives them the name 'silverbacks'. The western lowland gorilla is the \_\_\_\_\_ subspecies of gorilla and originates from the mountainous \_\_\_\_\_ of West Central Africa.

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## TRUE OR FALSE

Tick **True** or **False** on the gorilla facts below.

Gorillas are the largest primates

True

False

Gorillas can swim

True

False

A gorilla has a tail

True

False

Adult male gorillas can eat over 100 bananas a day

True

False

Gorillas are an endangered species

True

False

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TELL US THREE THINGS  
YOU'VE LEARNED TODAY...

1.



2.



3.



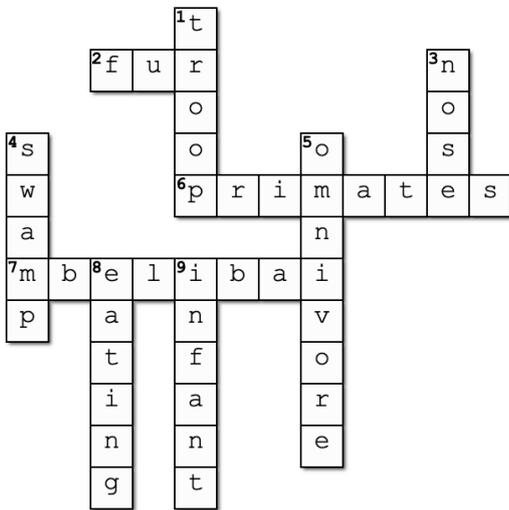
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## ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD



### WORDSEARCH



### FILL IN THE BLANKS

Western lowland gorillas, the subspecies of gorilla at Dublin Zoo, have black **skin** and **hair**, which covers the whole body excluding the face, ears, palms and **soles of feet**. Males are larger than females and grow **silver** hair on their back when they are the dominant male which gives them the name 'silverbacks'. The western lowland gorilla is the **smallest** subspecies of gorilla and originate from the mountainous **rainforests** of West Central Africa.

### TRUE OR FALSE

- Gorillas are the largest primates **True**
- Gorillas can swim **False**
- A gorilla has a tail **False**
- Adult male gorillas can eat over 100 bananas a day **True**
- Gorillas are an endangered species **True**

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