



## The Marine Iguana – Lower Level Comprehension

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UDAutIF\\_aRY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UDAutIF_aRY)

BBC Earth “A Perfect Planet”



**Once you’ve finished, please take a photograph of your work and email it to your teacher!**

1) “Marine iguanas are **vegetarian**.” What does “vegetarian” mean?

Vegetarian means \_\_\_\_\_

2) Why do the cormorants bring seaweed ashore? Tick one.

- To tidy up.
- To feed their young.
- To make nests.
- To annoy fish.

3) Pause at 48 seconds. How do you think the cormorant and the marine iguana feel here? Explain your choices.



The cormorant feels \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The iguana feels \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4) Can you think of three adjectives (describing words) to describe the bird’s beak?

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

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

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

5) Which of the following is the correct definition for the word ‘neighbour’? Tick one.

- Someone/thing who lives next to or very near to someone/thing else.
- Someone/thing who lives far away from someone/thing else.
- Someone/thing who likes to neigh like a horse.
- Someone/thing who is always fighting with someone/thing else.

6) Complete the sentence below.

The marine iguana is the only lizard in the world to get its food from \_\_\_\_\_.

7) Which phrase tells you there is lots of seaweed available? Tick one.

- On which he totally relies...
- Because of the nutrients...
- Grows in abundance...
- The Cromwell Current...

8) How long can the marine iguana spend in the water?

The marine iguana can spend \_\_\_\_\_ in the water.

9) Which class of animal is unable to handle cold temperatures well?

The class of animal that cannot handle cold temperatures is \_\_\_\_\_.

10)

<b>Complete the table to show whether each statement is true or false.</b>	True	False
The animal featured in this clip is a type of snake.		
Birds bring seaweed onto the island.		
Thousands of marine iguanas live on the island.		
The marine iguanas are carnivores.		

11) Now watch this clip “The Unsinkable Lizard” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ry2ipiR3HII> about a different reptile – the pygmy gecko. Write down four key facts which you learn about this tiny Amazonian creature.

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

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

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

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