

Main Idea Matching: Pandas



Directions: Match each supporting detail to its main idea by writing the letter of the main idea on the line.

Name: _____

main Ideas

- A. Panda babies are helpless creatures.
- B. A panda's diet consists mainly of bamboo.
- C. Adult pandas are interesting animals.
- D. Pandas are an endangered species.

Question #	Main Idea	SUPPORTING detail
1.	_____	Pandas spend at least 12 hours a day eating and consume 20 - 45 pounds of bamboo each day.
2.	_____	Panda babies are born without any hair or teeth and with their eyes closed.
3.	_____	Although fully grown pandas seem quiet, they can bleat, roar, growl, and honk.
4.	_____	Pandas can live to be about 20 years in the wild but up to 30 years in captivity.
5.	_____	Pandas do not hibernate but simply move to lower elevations in the winter.
6.	_____	The forests in China where pandas live are becoming smaller, which makes it harder for pandas to find food.
7.	_____	To eat, pandas hold the bamboo with their hands and peel off the hard outer layers.
8.	_____	Pandas are about five feet in length and weigh between 200 - 300 pounds.
9.	_____	There are only about 2,000 pandas left in the wild.
10.	_____	When pandas are born, their mother takes care of them for 1 - 2 years.
11.	_____	Poachers, people who illegally kill animals for profit, have decreased the panda population.
12.	_____	Pandas are mostly solitary creatures and meet occasionally for social purposes.
13.	_____	Pandas have special front paws with five fingers and a thumb that they use to grasp bamboo stalks.