

Day Four

Almost there!

- Today, you are going to finish writing your story.
- Paragraph 5 – your character returns to the normal world. Is everything the same when they return? Do they ask to return back?
- Don't forget to look at and use the writing checklist.
- Purple polish time! Once you have finished writing, read over your work.
- The first time is to improve some of the language and to ensure it makes sense.
- The second time is to check that you have applied punctuation.

- Well done, you should have now completed your story.
- Read it to someone in your family to see how it sounds. Ask them for feedback – 2 positives and 1 thing you could improve.

Writing Checklist

- Use some powerful description at times (not all the time though as you want it to be effective). Use an online or paper thesaurus to help you.
- Apply a wide range of punctuation including . CL ? ! “ ” ,
- Think about different sentence starters, e.g. Feeling intrigued, Gingerly, Wondering what on earth she should do next....

Reading recommendations

Treerumple's Top 10 Reads

- * Do you enjoy stories with strange characters in or tales of visiting new worlds? If so, you may like these.



- 1) P. G. Bell – *The Train to Impossible Places*
- 2) Anna James – *Tilly and the Book Wanderers Pages and Co. Book 1*
- 3) Jenny McLaughlan – *The Land of Roar*
- 4) Struan Murry – *Orphans of the Tide*
- 5) Thomas Taylor – *Malamander* (also try *Gargantis*)
- 6) Phillipa Pearce – *Tom's Midnight Garden*
- 7) Lewis Carroll – *Alice in Wonderland*
- 8) Enid Blyton – *Magic Far Away Tree*
- 9) C. S Lewis – *The Lion the Witch and The Wardrobe*
- 10) J. K Rowling – *Harry Potter*

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Complete these number sentences.

$$25 + 25 + 25 + 25 = \boxed{} \times 25$$

$$10 + 10 + 10 + 10 = \boxed{} \times 5$$

$$25 + 25 + 25 + 25 = \boxed{} \times 5$$

$$25 + 25 + 25 + 25 = \boxed{} \times 100$$

$$25 + 25 - 25 - 25 = \boxed{} \times 25$$

2 Louise is thinking of a 4-digit number.
Here are some clues to the number.

The number lies between 4,000
and 5,000

All the digits are different

The digit in the tens place is twice
the digit in the thousands place

The sum of the digits is 24

The number is odd

What could Louise's number
be?

Shell-ebrate!

**'Extinct' Galapagos Giant Tortoise
Found after 100 Years**



Photo: Giant tortoises can live for over 100 years.

- [Where are the Galapagos islands?](#)
- [What is evolution?](#)
- [Why are the giant tortoises endangered?](#)

Scientists have discovered a [species](#) of giant tortoise scientists thought was extinct!

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Many giant tortoises have been killed for food and oil and most scientists thought the Fernandina tortoise was probably extinct.

However, scientists found a 100-year-old tortoise on the island! They've also found footprints and giant tortoise poo so there might even be more living on the island.

The tortoise has been taken to a nearby island for health and [genetic](#) checks. They want to make sure that it is a Fernandina giant tortoise.

The island of Fernandina is part of the Galapagos [archipelago](#). These islands are most famous for being the place where Charles Darwin developed his theory of [evolution](#) in 1835.

Read the full article online [here](#).

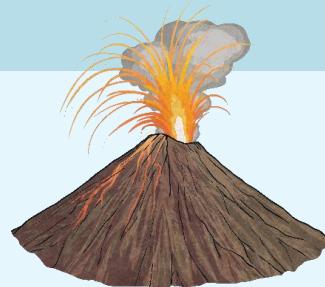


Where Are the Galapagos Islands?

The Galapagos **islands** are in the Pacific Ocean.

The archipelago is made up of 19 islands. The largest is Isabela and is around 82 miles long.

The islands are all volcanic. This means they are formed of lava piles and volcanoes.



The Galapagos are **famous** for their environment and wildlife.

While many of the animals on the islands are similar to each other, they have developed in **different** ways.

In 1835, Charles Darwin spotted that the finches on the islands had very different beaks, suited to the food found on that island.



This was an **important** part of his theory of evolution.

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Find out more about the Galapagos islands



What else do you know about Charles Darwin?





What Is Evolution?

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Over millions of years, living things change and adapt to their habitat.

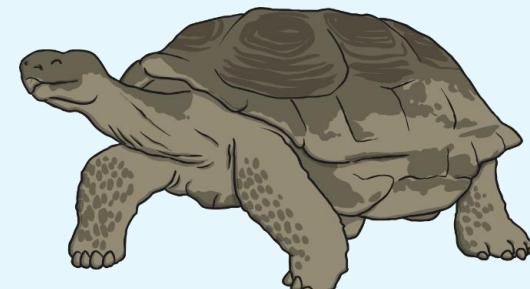
Animals develop **differently** and get **various** small differences.

These differences happen by **accident** but some are useful. Tortoises have developed hard shells to protect their body.

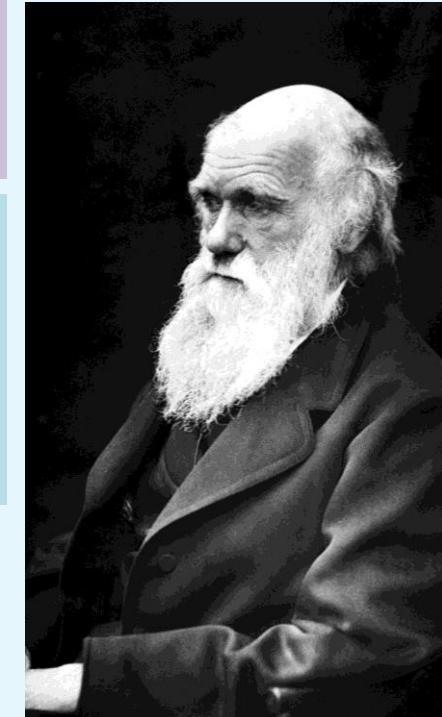
Animals with these differences are more likely to survive and pass on these traits.

Over time, the species will have changed to fit its habitat.

Each of the 15 different species of giant tortoises on the Galapagos islands has developed differently to suit the island.



When Charles Darwin saw this it helped him form the theory of evolution.



What other animals have adapted to their environment?





Why Are the Giant Tortoises Endangered?

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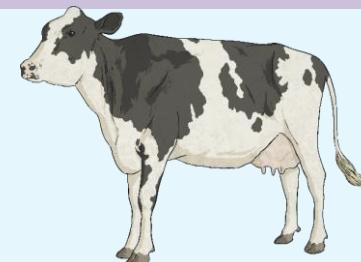
Scientists **believe** four of these are **probably** now extinct and most of the others are endangered.

Over the last 200 years, humans have hunted them for food.

Other species introduced to the **islands**, such as dogs and cats, also hunt young tortoises.



Their habitat has also been threatened to make space for grazing cattle.



Living on a volcanic island doesn't help. Scientists believe that lava from volcanos also threaten the species.

However, the recent discovery has given scientists hope that the number of giant tortoises might **increase**.

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What threats to the animals in your local habitat can you think of?





Glossary

Word	Definition
species	A group of living things which are similar and can have young.
genetic	Related to the study of genes, DNA and identifying species.
archipelago	A group or chain of islands.
evolution	The process of living things adapting and developing from their earlier forms.

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Quick Questions

- Find a word meaning found.

- Find one reason why scientists believe there are more giant tortoises on the islands.

- How do you think scientists feel about this discovery? Explain your answer.

- What do you think scientists will do next? Explain your answer.

Why are Giant Tortoises Endangered?

You can choose how to present your answer to this question. You could explain in a poster or create a mind map. Or you could write an explanation. It's up to you!

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