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Find answers to these questions about our "ALL AMERICAN" animals in Louisiana.

_____ 1. Unlike its cousin, this large bird does not dive for fish. Instead, it dips its head underwater to scoop up its prey.

_____ 2. This male crocodilian can reach an average length of 12 feet. It is also Louisiana's official reptile.

_____ 3. This playful mammal loves the water, but does not live in it. Even though it can stay under water for long periods, it must return to the surface for air.

_____ 4. This short-tailed cat native to our state is known as a _____.

_____ 5. The largest freshwater turtle found in North America likes deep water and can stay under more than two hours.

_____ 6. The _____ _____ is our national bird. It is a symbol of freedom! Why are these birds not able to fly?

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_____ 7. This large mammal can be brown, black or almost blond in color and can weigh from

200-500 lbs.

_____ 8. The female is a doe. The male is a buck. What is this species?

_____ 9. The _____ _____ is probably the most endangered mammal in Louisiana. It has a brownish-red coat.

_____ 10. This feline is called a catamount or puma. Give two more common names for it.