

My subject was animals

The types of animals that I researched are the:

- Biggest
- Fastest
- Tallest
- Most deadly
- Smallest

The Biggest

The biggest animal in the world is the Blue Whale which goes up to 410000 lbs. The Blue whale ,also called sulfur-bottom whale, is the most massive animal ever to have lived. It is a species of baleen whale that weighs approximately 150 tons and may attain a length of more than 30 meters (98 feet). The largest accurately measured blue whale was a 29.5-metre female that weighed 180 metric tons but there are reports of 33-metre catches that may have reached 200 metric tons. The heart of one blue whale was recorded at nearly 700 kg (about 1,500 pounds) which is extremely big.

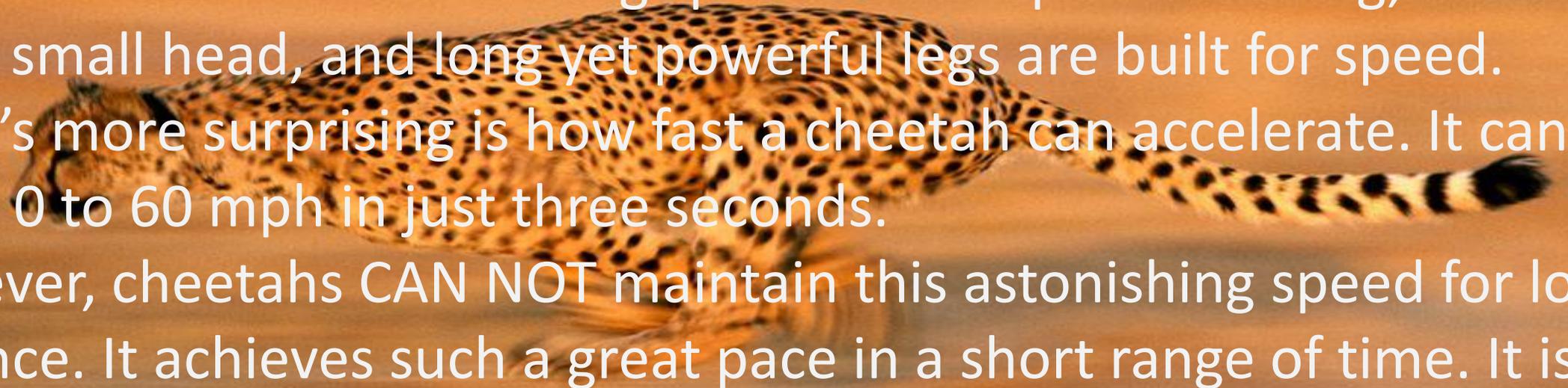
Did you know 47 Indian elephants will fit into an Australian Blue Whale?

The Fastest

The fastest land animal is a cheetah. During a chase, this powerful predator covers a breathtaking speed of 75 mph. Their long, slim body, small head, and long yet powerful legs are built for speed. What's more surprising is how fast a cheetah can accelerate. It can reach 0 to 60 mph in just three seconds.

However, cheetahs CAN NOT maintain this astonishing speed for long distance. It achieves such a great pace in a short range of time. It is also part of the big cat family, however is not one of the biggest in that group.

Its body is 1.1-1.5 meters long and its tail is 60-80 centimeters long. The weight can range between 110 and 140 pounds.



The tallest

Giraffes are the tallest animals in the world. Males can grow up to 18 feet (5.5 meters) tall, females can reach 14 feet (4.3 meters) tall and their babies, called calves, are born six feet (1.8 meters) tall. Calves can grow up to an inch a day which is quite a lot compared to other animals. Giraffes live primarily in savanna areas in the sub-Saharan region of Africa. Giraffes can live to about 25 years in the wild and even longer in captivity.

The most deadly

The most deadly animal is a Golden Dart Frog. These brightly coloured frogs are as beautiful as they are deadly. This creature, an inhabitant of the northern part of South America, measures up to two inches when fully grown, just one of these frogs packs enough poison (called batrachotoxin) to kill 10 grown men. Unlike venomous snakes or spiders, these creatures don't need to bite to kill; simply handling them can transfer poison to a person.

The golden poison frog, like most other poisonous frogs, stores its poison in skin glands. Due to their poison, the frogs taste vile to predators; *P. terribilis* poison kills whatever eats it, except for one snake species, *Liophis epinephelus*. This snake is resistant to the frog's poison, but is not completely immune.

The poisonous frogs themselves are perhaps the only creatures to be immune to this poison.



The smallest

The smallest animal in the world, which is also the smallest insect in the world (so far) is the *Metaphragma caribe* otherwise known as a fairyfly. It is a parasitic wasp that lives on the island of Guadalupe and feeds off the eggs of other insects. The fairy fly is the tiniest of all insects as well . There are 1424 species of fairy flies, not all are the same size. However, the tiniest of them, the *Alaptus* fairy fly, truly is the smallest insect in existence. The *Alaptus* measures just 0.007 inches or 0.18 millimeters. Which is tiny. If you had one of those on your hand you would barely be able to see it , it is that small!!