

AN ECHIDNA COMPREHENSION

Use the book to help you answer the questions below.

ANSWERS

1. Where can you find echindas?

Echidnas can be found in forests, snowy mountains, deserts, grasslands and in bushy patches in towns and cities.

2. How long is an echidna's snout?

An echidna's snout is 7 to 8 cms long.

3. How long are echidna's spines?

An echidna's spines are 5cms long.

4. What threatens echindas?

Echidnas can be killed by dogs, eagles, dingoes and cars.

5. How many claws do echidnas have on their back feet and what do they use these for?

Echidnas have 2 claws on their back feet which they use to groom themselves.

6. What do echidnas eat?

Echidnas eat termites, ants, worms and beetles.

7. How many termites can an echidna eat a day?

Echidnas can eat 40,000 ant and termites a day.

8. How long do echidnas in the alps hibernate?

Echidnas in Tasmania and the alps hibernate for up to 6 months.

Use comprehension strategies to expand content knowledge.

