

Humans of the Sea

Genna & Haylee

A dolphin lives in oceans, harbors, bays, gulfs, and many other bodies of water. There are 36 breeds of dolphins on Earth. One of the most common breeds of dolphins is the bottlenose. The Indus river dolphin is the most endangered dolphin breed. Dolphins are popularly noted for their grace, intelligence, playfulness, and friendliness to humans.

Speaking of endangered dolphins, the most common way that dolphins are killed is from overfishing and fishing nets. When fishermen overfish, they do not leave enough food for the dolphins causing them to starve. Dolphins don't just eat fish, but they also eat a variety of fish, shrimp, and squid. Also when fishermen leave nets in the water, dolphins get stuck in the net and drown.

A dolphin is just as intelligent as humans. They can do tricks and perform in front of people; dolphins are the second most intelligent animal on the planet; second to Orangutans. Members of the dolphin family, which includes dozens of species, have the second largest brain size after humans.

Dolphins live in big ocean waters, but they usually are very social animals that they spend their day feeding, socializing, traveling and resting. Dolphins have to come up for air, so when they are resting, they will rest at the surface of water. A dolphin can stay underwater for up to 20 minutes until they need



to come up for air. Even though a dolphin needs oxygen, they do not have enough muscle to sustain themselves on land. On the other hand, in water a dolphin can stay at the same speed of a boat or even catch up to it.

There are also the largest and smallest dolphins in the sea. The largest dolphin is called an orca; they are black and white and their dorsal fin can get up to 6 feet tall. The smallest dolphin is a Maui dolphin. They are just over 5 feet in length. The rarest dolphin is Hector's dolphin. Hector's dolphins are the rarest

marine dolphin in the world. They have distinct black facial markings, short stocky bodies, and a dorsal fin shaped like a Mickey Mouse ear.

A dolphin has two stomachs; the first stomach is used for storage, and the second one is where they digest their food. This helps the dolphins carry around a whole lot of food. This sea mammal eats approximately 33 pounds of fish per day.

Dolphins are super intelligent and friendly sea mammals that live in the ocean.

The Best Rivalry in the NFL

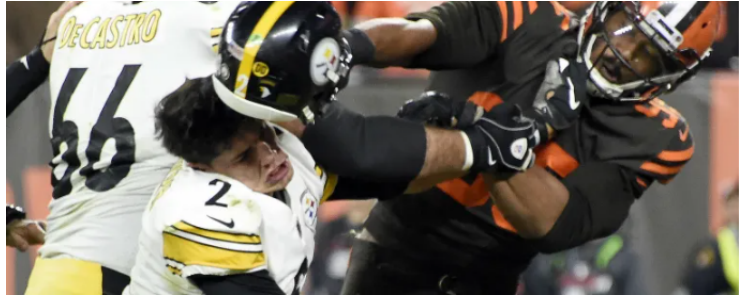
Logan B & Carson E

The Cleveland Browns and Pittsburgh Steelers have been rivals since October 7, 1950.

The Cleveland Browns are located in FirstEnergy Stadium in Cleveland, Ohio, and the Pittsburgh Steelers are located in Acrisure Stadium in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Both teams are in the NFL and in the same conference the AFC North.

The rivalry happened because they are in close proximity between the two cities. With 138 games, it is the oldest rivalry in the NFL. Following close by the Cardinals and the Green Bay Packers. This rivalry has the Steelers leading with a 86-62-1.

The Browns are 62-80-1. In the past season, the head coach for the Browns, Kevin Stefanski, has led the Browns with a 26-24 record in the past three years. Before that, Stefanski spent the previous 14 seasons with the Minnesota Vikings. He was in different coaching places for the Vikings. Beating the Steelers 3-3.



The Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin's record is 163-93-2 from the years 2007-2022 that he was a head coach. Before that, Tomlin was a defensive coordinator.

The Browns have three players on the top 100 greatest players in the NFL today; those are Denzel Ward, Wyatt Teller, and Joel Bitonio. With the Steeler only having one T.J. Watt is in the greatest players in the NFL today. The Browns and the Steelers have played in the playoffs three different times other the years.

The Steelers have a record of 2-1 over the Browns inside of the playoffs. The three years are January first, 1995, January 5th, 2003, and January 10th, 2021. The playoffs that they played in were different rounds of the AFC wild card two times. The AFC divisional round was held in 1995.

The Browns and the Steelers have the best team rivalries in the NFL.

Giants of the Jungle

Gabby L. & Caylee H.

Elephants live generally in Africa and Asia. There are many types of elephants in Africa such as the African Bush Elephant and the African Forest Elephant.

The elephant population has declined 62% over the last decade with 24,000 elephants poached this year alone. The elephant species that has been at threat the most is the African elephant due to illegal ivory trade. The Asian elephant's biggest threat is habitat loss due to humans taking their habitat away. Elephants are distinctly the largest land living mammals on earth.

They have massive bodies, long ears, and long trunks. They use their trunks to pick up objects, trumpet warnings, greet other elephants, or suck up water for drinking and bathing. Both male and female elephants grow tusks. There is generally one tusk that is smaller than the other that is due to the wear and tear that they put on it. During times of drought they use their tusks to dig holes to find water underground.

The African forest elephant is smaller than the African savanna elephant. Their ears are more oval shaped and their tusks are straighter and point downward. They also have all different sizes of tusks. They also have a much slower reproduction rate compared to the



African savanna elephant. Due to this, they are not able to bounce back from a population decline as quickly. They live in groups called families with up to 20 individuals. They eat leaves, grasses, seeds, fruits, and tree bark. To supplement their diets, they gather at mineral rich watering holes and mineral

licks found throughout the forest. They live to be about 60 to 70 years old. Their gestation period is about 22 to 24 months, and they weigh 3 to 6.6 tons. They are about 10 ft tall and 3 to 10 ft in length.

Another type of elephant is the Indian Elephant. They spend about 19 hours of their day eating. They can produce about 220 pounds of dung per day while wandering a span of 125 miles. They feed on grasses, but mainly large amounts of tree bark, roots, leaves, and sometimes amounts of small stems. Crops such as bananas, rice, and sugarcane are some of the many foods that are favored. Since they need to drink at least once a day they stay close to fresh water. The skin on an elephant is like leather. Elephants are giant and very intelligent animals.



Two-Sport Beast

Matt C. & Mason B.

Jalen Ramsey is a cornerback and is going to play for the Miami Dolphins for the 2023-24 NFL season. Ramsey most recently played for the Los Angeles Rams, who went 5-12 for the 2022-23 NFL season. Ramsey spent four years with the Rams with much success. In 2022, he won his first Super Bowl defeating the Cincinnati Bengals, 23-20. During the duration of the Super Bowl, Ramsey got three solo tackles, along with one assist.

Ramsey played college football at Florida State University back in 2013-2015. In his three college years at Florida State, Ramsey had 119 solo tackles, five sacks, three interceptions, and four forced fumbles (FF) earning him a spot in the 2016 NFL Draft. He would later be drafted as fifth overall, which would put him on the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Ramsey's story begins in Smyrna, Tennessee where he was born and raised. For his freshmen year, he attended Ensworth High School, then transferring to Brentwood Academy to complete his three other years of high school. Football was not the only sport Ramsey participated in. He also participated in track and field.

Ramsey would be identified as a five-star athlete, which would get him attention from some big name colleges, such as Florida State University (FSU), as well as The University of Southern California (USC). At first, he committed to USC, but later decided to commit to Florida State. In college, Ramsey was a two-sport athlete. In track and field, he was a three time All-ACC honoree. Ramsey placed third at both the indoor and outdoor ACC Track and Field Championships. In 2014, his best long jump was an astonishing 25 feet, which translates to about eight meters! In his senior track and field season at Florida State, he won the ACC Long Jump Championship.

Ramsey is a very talented athlete, not only at football, but also at track and field.

Spencer Lee almost dies losing in the NCAA semi finals

Colt & Owen



Spencer Lee was born on October 14, 1998. He was a college wrestler for Iowa and wrestled at 57 kg or 125 pounds. He wrestled freestyle also. His mom was an alternate for the U.S judo Olympic team. His dad was a judo national coach and paralympic coach. Lee won 3 state titles and 3 Ncaa championships losing to Matt Ramos in the finals.

Spencer Lee was born on October 14, 1998. He

was originally from Denver, Colorado. Lee later wrestled in Pennsylvania. Lee wrestled through the young guns wrestling club in his younger years. In high school Lee wrestled for Franklin regional high school in PA.

Lee wrestled in junior nationals and junior world team and won both events at 50 kg in his junior season. During Spencer Lee's senior year, he was on track to be a four time state champion, but in the finals he was matched up with soon to be teammate on the Hawkeyes Austin Desanto. Lee lost in the state finals. Lee ended his high school career with an incredible record of 144-1 through folk style.

Continuing his path in wrestling into college, Lee won the NCAA tournament his first three years. The 3rd year Lee wrestled with a torn ACL in both knees. Lee won against Arizona State's Brandon Coutney. In his senior year of college, Lee lost his Ncaa semifinals match to Matt Romos with only a couple seconds left. Matt Romos gator roled Lee and pinned him. Spencer Lee later medically forfeited the rest of the tournament. Lee took 6th his senior year at the NCAA tournament.

Some people are saying that he was hurt and that was the reason he lost and got pinned in the NCAA finals.

Spencer Lee came out and said that, "He was not hurt and there was no excuse he got out wrestling and that is how he lost."

Spencer Lee is still planning to go on and try to make the Olympic team and wrestle for the U.S and try to win a gold medal.

Production of Pork

Carter & Robert



The first pig was discovered in 8500 BCE, and the first pig used for meat was around 5000 BCE. Pigs first came to the US in the 1500's. There are 8 different types of pigs used for meat production.

Pigs live all over the world. Yorkshire is the most common species of pig. A Berkshire pig is the most common pig that most people eat. A Tamworth hog is the most common pig for bacon.

Around 121 million pigs are killed each year to be processed in food. In a human's lifetime, humans normally eat around 27 pigs. China eats the most pig meat than any other country. Iowa is the state that has the greatest population of pigs in the US.

Pork is the most consumed meat in the world. Humans eat around $\frac{1}{3}$ of a pig a year. It costs around \$95 to feed a pig monthly. One sow can have 300 piglets in her lifetime.

They can have 10-15 piglets at a time. Some pigs weigh over 1,000 pounds. Hereford's can weigh 200-250 when they are 5-6 months old. Poland China originated from Ohio. They have 17 in their litter at once. They can weigh between 550-880 pounds.

There are about 16 different species of pigs in the world.

AAU

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AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) started in 1888 by the New York Athletic Club. AAU consists of 44 sports and was originally started to prepare athletes for the Olympic games. Athletes can play AAU from the age of 7 to 19. Starting from grade 2 all the way to senior in high school. There are three

different divisions for AAU. They include the Open Division which has the highest level of competition, then there is the Club division which has a middle level of competition.

The last one is the classic division which has the lowest amount of competition. AAU is most associated with basketball and volleyball. AAU is the most competitive form of sports around the world.

people will play with people from across the world. To play AAU teams is very expensive and can cost up to \$320.00 to play for a team, but other big teams can cost even more. AAU is worth playing for because players will play people that are better than themselves and teams that are better than them. Then when people play for their school it will be way easier. AAU is also not a school and doesn't involve any school.



Almost all NBA players played AAU and most colleges look at top AAU teams because they are the most competitive. Some teams even recruit players from across the states just to play for their team. One time there was an AAU team that consisted of all NBA players after their AAU season was over, and they declared for the NBA draft. In the end AAU is a place where many kids go to get more prepared for their sports.

The Tallest mammal in the world

Sophia & Lilly

Giraffes are the tallest land mammal in existence. They are mainly found in the dry savannas of Africa in the open plains. They are known for their long necks and different spot colors. Their necks can stretch up to about 7 feet in length. An adult male giraffe can grow around 5.5 m, that's taller than three adult humans, and an adult female can get up to 4.5m tall. A giraffe's height is helpful for looking out for predators and eating food from high trees. Also their long legs allow them to run up to 35 miles an hour over short distances.

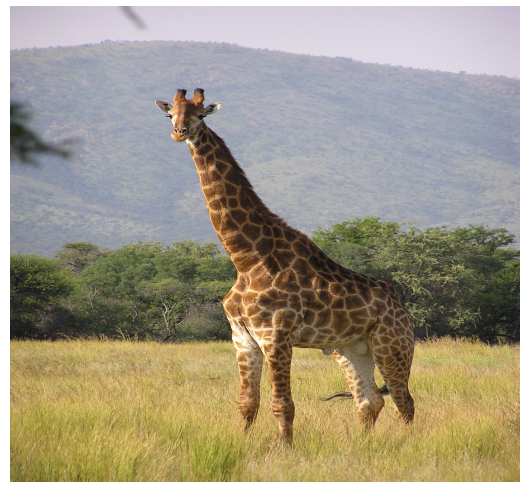
Their favorite food is acacia trees, but they also eat mimosa and wild apricot trees. Giraffe's spend most of their time eating. They can eat up to 45 kg of leaves and twigs a day. Giraffes get most of their water from their food, though in the dry season they drink at least every three days.

Their numbers are declining fast due to habitat loss. It dropped down to 40% in Africa. Giraffe's were recently added to the IUCN's Endangered Species list.

The earliest known giraffe was called a Palaeotragus. It lived about 20 million years ago. It lived in eastern Africa during the Pleistocene. Giraffe's were once called a camel-leopard. Romans believed it was a combination of a camel and a leopard hence the name camel-leopard.

A study that took place in 2007 said due to genetics, there should be about six different species of giraffes. The West African, Rothschild's, Reticulated, Masai, Angolan, and South African Giraffe are the six species that they found.

The West African giraffe stands to about 19 feet, and they weigh up to about 2,800 pounds. The males have thicker horns than the females do.



The Rothschild giraffes are mainly located in Eastern Uganda and western Kenya. They rarely sleep, but if they do they sleep for only 30 minutes out of the entire 24 hour day. Reticulated giraffes are about 17 feet. They are able to run about 35 mph. These types of giraffes only drink water every 2 - 3 days. Masai giraffes came from Kenya. They eat 16 - 20 hours a day and rarely sleep. They only sleep 5 - 30 minutes a day. The Angolan giraffes are all throughout Angola and Zambia. They have around 2 - 4 horns instead of just 2 like other giraffes. South African giraffes usually live in savannas and woodlands. They eat leaves, flowers, fruit, and different types of woody plants. Giraffes are very tall and clever animals.