

The Answers to the Quokka Study Guide...

- 1.) Quokkas can be found where? **Rottneest and Bald islands, in Australia**
- 2.) The quokka is a marsupial. True/False **TRUE**
- 3.) What is the scientific name of a quokka? **Setonix brachyurus**
- 4.) What were quokkas first thought to be, when they were first discovered? (2 answers) **Rats and/or cats**
- 5.) The IUCN lists these cute critters as what status? **Vulnerable**
- 6.) The Aboriginal names for quokkas are ___ or ___. **gwaga or kwaka**
- 7.) Are quokkas herbivores or carnivores? **Herbivores**
- 8.) Arboreal means ____. **Spends all or part of their life in trees**
- 9.) When a quokka mother is faced with a predator, what do they do? **They eject their joey from their pouch and leave it for the predator, while the mother escapes.**
- 10.) How long can they go without drinking water? **Nearly 1 month**
- 11.) Why aren't they afraid of humans? **There are few predators where they live. So they don't have the prey instincts that other animals tend to have.**
- 12.) What happens if you get caught touching or feeding a quokka? **You get jail time and up to a AUS\$2,000 fine.**
- 13.) Macropods are described as ____. **Marsupials or animals with an external pouch (marsupium) in which to raise their young**
- 14.) What are baby macropods called? **Joeys**