



Fun facts quiz

SLO: Students will discover fun and interesting facts about King salmon.

INTRODUCTION:

This true/false quiz is great for a starter activity to introduce King salmon and King salmon farming.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Fun facts quiz activity sheet – 1 per student

ONLINE VERSION:

kingsalmon.co.nz/ed/activity23

ACTIVITY:

This is a true or false quiz about interesting King salmon facts. It could be handed out, read out and students guess aloud, or turned into a wall display with questions for students to answer.



ACTIVITY SHEET

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Read the questions below, are they True or False?

1. King salmon is an anadromous fish, adapted to life in fresh water and sea water.
2. In the wild King salmon adults die 5 weeks after spawning (laying eggs).
3. In the wild King salmon feed every 3 hours, day and night.
4. The King salmon is known also as Chinook and *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha* (can you say that?).
5. While at sea wild King salmon feed heavily on shrimp, prawns and various species of small fish. The pigments in their prey colour turn their flesh and eggs orange.
6. King salmon from New Zealand makes up 40% of the world's farmed salmon.
7. King salmon are able to swim up to 50km.
8. King Salmon is farmed in the Marlborough Sounds and other parts of the South Island.
9. King salmon is a great source of Omega-3.
10. King salmon have a poor sense of smell.

ANSWERS SHEET

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1. King salmon is an anadromous fish, adapted to life in fresh water and sea water.
True
2. In the wild King salmon adults die 5 weeks after spawning (laying eggs).
False – both female and male adult King salmon die 2 days after spawning.
3. In the wild King salmon feed every 3 hours, day and night.
False – wild King salmon only feed during the day as they are visual feeders.
4. The King salmon is known also as Chinook and Oncorhynchus tshawytscha (can you say that?).
True
5. While at sea wild King salmon feed heavily on shrimp, prawns and various species of small fish. The pigments in their prey colour turn their flesh and eggs orange.
True
6. King salmon from New Zealand makes up 40% of the world's farmed salmon.
False – King salmon from New Zealand makes up less than 1% of the world's farmed salmon. 99% of salmon from New Zealand makes up 88% of global production. The remaining 12% of King salmon is from Chile and Canada.
7. King salmon are able to swim up to 50km.
False – King salmon are able to swim up to 2000km.
8. King Salmon is farmed in the Marlborough Sounds and other parts of the South Island.
True
9. King salmon is a great source of Omega-3.
True
10. King salmon have a poor sense of smell.
False – King salmon have a great sense of smell.