

Etymology open question results:

Top results only, summarized and rounded (out of 78-113 submitted answers; overall 132 submissions, but many had only some questions answered). Minor results summarized as “other”. Correct answer in **bold**.

1. *major* means

91% **large, big, great, greater (from Latin majus, major = greater, larger)**
9 % other (including main, tall, upper etc.) or don't know

2. *laevis* means

41% **smooth (from Latin laevis = smooth)**
59% other (incl. broad, easy, fast, naked, quick, short, etc.) or don't know

3. *cyanura* means

45% blue, bluish
33% **blue-tailed, from Greek kyanos = blue, and oura = tail**
22% others (incl. blue frog, cyan, green, copper, yellow)

4. *vittatus* means

40% striped, lined
14% **banded, from Latin vitta = band, ribbon**
46% others (including liveley or live bearing, from Latin vita = life)

5. *occidentalis* means

52% **western, from Latin occidentalis = western**
10% occidental (close, but unclear)
38% others (including eastern, but also spotted etc)

6. *rubrilabris* means

78% **red-lipped, from Latin ruber, rubra = red and labrum = lip**
9% “something to do with red” – close!
13% others (including yellow lips, etc)

7. ***siamensis*** means

- 34% from Siam, or “siamese” (sort of correct, but not exactly)
- 25% from Thailand (formerly “Siam”)**
- 41% others (e.g. Asian, twins, two bodies, from Siamese twins 😊)

8. ***strauchi*** means

- 63% named after (Alexander) Strauch (1832-1893), Russian zoologist.**
- 15% something to do with Strauch, e.g. described by Strauch (not quite correct)
- 22% others, including bushy (the German meaning of “Strauch” 😊)

9. ***tetradactylus*** means

- 84% four-fingered, from Greek tetra (four) plus daktylos (finger) (we accepted toe too)**
- 6% something else with four (e.g. four-legged, four-limbed)
- 10% others (e.g. ten-legged, 10 fingers etc.)

10. ***fuliginosus*** means

- 54% from Latin fuliginosus = sooty, soot-colored, but also (dark) brown;**
We also accepted dusky, black, and similar 😊
- 46% all others, including fluffy, iron, slimy, white, yellow etc.