

## 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.