

CRAZY BUT TRUE

NOT EVERYTHING'S CLOSED IF YOU'RE A PENGUIN!

IT seems like all the fun places you can go to are closed for now. But one aquarium in America remains open... to the animals that live there!

The Shedd Aquarium, in the American city of Chicago, is staying closed like lots of places to slow down the spread of the coronavirus.

Instead, it has been letting its penguins out to explore! They have been waddling around parts of the aquarium they would never normally see. The curious birds have been out on field trips meeting dolphins. They have visited exotic areas like Amazon Rising. They have even been peeking their beaks around the reception area!

The penguins aren't the only ones having time out and about. The most recent animal to have a wander is Tyson the porcupine. He enjoyed his lunch while visiting the Polar Play Zone and watched the penguins having a swim.

The California Science Center has already joined in, sharing pictures of their rats, who got to explore the kelp forest exhibition while it's closed to visitors.

We wonder if we'll get to see more animal fun online from other zoos, aquariums and animals centres?



Tyson



Wellington was fascinated by the piranhas in the Amazon section of the aquarium



Rats got to explore the California Science Center

Questions on: 'Not everything's closed if you're a penguin!'

1) Where is the Shedd Aquarium?

_____ in _____

2) Find three places in the aquarium visited by the penguins.

1:
 2:
 3:

3) What does the word 'waddled' tell you about the way the penguins walked?

4) What creature is Tyson?

5) What did Tyson do while visiting the penguins?

He had a picnic He had a swim He had a sleep

6) "Peeking their beaks" is an example of ...

- Rhyme** – where words have the same last sound
- Assonance** – where words have the same vowel sound
- Alliteration** – where words start with the same sound

7) How does this report finish?

- With a question With a quotation With a joke

8) Most of us have been told to stay home, but what essential jobs still have to be done in the world's zoos and animal parks?