My Giant Panda Fact File

Read the giant panda fact page, then fill in your fact file.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Draw a giant panda

Giant Panda facts

Size: _____

Weight: _____

Lifespan: _____

Diet: _____

Habitat: _____

Where: _____

Status: _____

Match the word to its meaning

1. bamboo ____	A. leaving smells on objects as a message to other animals
2. pseudo-thumb ____	B. at high risk of becoming endangered in the wild
3. scent marking ____	C. a wrist bone that works like a thumb to help pandas grip
4. reserve ____	D. a protected area set aside for wildlife
5. vulnerable ____	E. a tall, woody grass that pandas eat

The most amazing thing I learned about giant pandas

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

Answer Key

Giant Panda Fact File

Giant Panda facts

Scientific name:	Ailuropoda melanoleuca
Size:	About 4–6 ft (1.2–1.8 m) long
Weight:	Up to about 250 lb (113 kg)
Lifespan:	About 15–20 years in the wild
Diet:	About 99% bamboo
Habitat:	Mountain forests with bamboo
Where:	Sichuan, Shaanxi, Gansu (China)
Status:	IUCN Vulnerable (2016)

Accept any answer that matches the fact page; sizes and lifespans are approximate.

Word match

1–E, 2–C, 3–A, 4–D, 5–B

Wow facts to share

- A newborn panda is about 1/900 the size of its mother.
- Pandas spend 10 to 16 hours a day eating or finding food.
- A panda's "thumb" is really a special wrist bone.