

# Cryptic Crosswords for Bright Sparks

## ANSWERS

### Exercise 3.1

- a) CAT, FLEA, TROUT, HORNET, LEOPARD, ELEPHANT, CROCODILE, RHINOCEROS, KILLER WHALE, GREY SQUIRREL, GIANT TORTOISE, TASMANIAN DEVIL, PROBOSCIS MONKEY
- b) BENEVOLENT, CARAMEL, CONTRAVENE, FORBEARANCE, MAGNUM, OBNOXIOUS, PROCLAMATION, SELFISHLY, SUNBATHE, SCOWLING
- c) HOARSE, WAIL, BORE, DEAR, HAIR, BARE, TOWED, FOUL, SOUL, MAYOR
- d) BADGER: Her badge read: "I ♥ ANIMALS".  
OSTRICH: The honour was most richly deserved.  
RAVEN: We need to go down the other avenue.  
SQUID: This Quidditch game is getting dangerous!  
WASP: He threw a spanner in the works.  
TOAD: The robber ran into a dead end  
SALMON: What a colossal monster that is!  
PANTHER: The new bridge will span the River Thames.  
GERBIL: There are bigger billionaires out there.  
PANDA: She's been up and about for hours.