

## Jalan Pagi Pulau Komodo

1. Which of the following four places is NOT the location from where the presenter is starting her journey to Komodo Island?
  - A. Kupang
  - B. Labuan Bajo
  - C. Manggarai Barat
  - D. Nusa Tenggara Timur
2. How long will the journey to Komodo Island take?
3. Is there any other way to travel to Komodo Island? How do you know this?
4. What is the name of the village on where the boat docks on Komodo Island?
5. Since what year has this village been in existence?
6. What is the local population of the village?
7. What is one of the ways the people of Komodo Island make a living?
8. What recent government regulation has resulted in a change to the way they make a living?
9. What is the price range for a komodo wood-carving and what factors determine the final price?
10. What do the visitors need to do before they commence trekking to look for komodo dragons? (Listen to a presentation from the ranger)
11. Are visitors guaranteed of coming across a komodo dragon during their trek? Explain your answer.
12. If the visitors come across a komodo in the wild what are two instructions that they need to follow?
13. What is the approximate size and age of the komodo dragon the visitors come across?
14. What is the approximate maximum life span of a komodo dragon?
15. What do female visitors who are currently menstruating need to do and why must they do this?
16. Is it safe to go wandering around Komodo National Park unaccompanied by a park ranger? Explain your answer.
17. If you are interested in visiting Komodo Island what factors would determine whether you were able to undertake such a journey?

## Answers:

1. (A). Kupang. The boat leaves from the port of Labuan Bajo in the Regency of Manggarai Barat in the Province of Nusa Tenggara Timur.
2. Three and a half hours.
3. There are no other ways to travel to Komodo Island other than by boat. The presenter says “transportasi satu-satunya” which means “the one and only transport”.
4. The village where the boat docks is Desa (Wisata) Komodo.
5. The village of Komodo has existed since 1956.
6. The approximate population of Komodo Island is 14,025 people.
7. One of the ways that the people of Komodo make a living is to carve wooden komodo carvings of various shapes and sizes.
8. Since 2012 the locals have not been permitted to use local wood for the wood carvings and have had to bring in wood from other islands.
9. The carvings range in price from Rp.25.000 to millions of rupiah depending on the size and intricacy of the carving and the types of wood used.
10. The visitors to the national park need to listen to a presentation given by a ranger before being taken on a trek through the park.
11. The visitors are not guaranteed of coming across any komodo dragons because the komodo dragons roam wild and free in the park.
12. If they come across a komodo the visitors are told not to panic and especially not to run.
13. The komodo dragon that the visitors come across is approximately three and a half metres in length and 40 years old.
14. The approximate maximum life span of a komodo dragon is 50 years of age.
15. Female visitors who are currently menstruating must report their condition to the rangers because komodo dragons have a very sensitive sense of smell and can smell blood from 5-10 kilometres away.
16. No, it is not safe to go wandering around Komodo national park unaccompanied by a ranger because you could get lost alone and panic and not know what to do if you are confronted by a komodo dragon.
17. It would seem that Komodo Island is very isolated and hard to get to. You would have to plan your trip very carefully and ensure you have enough time to get to the port of Labuan Bajo from where you will have to take a boat to Komodo Island and back on the same day as there did not appear to be any overnight accommodation on the island.