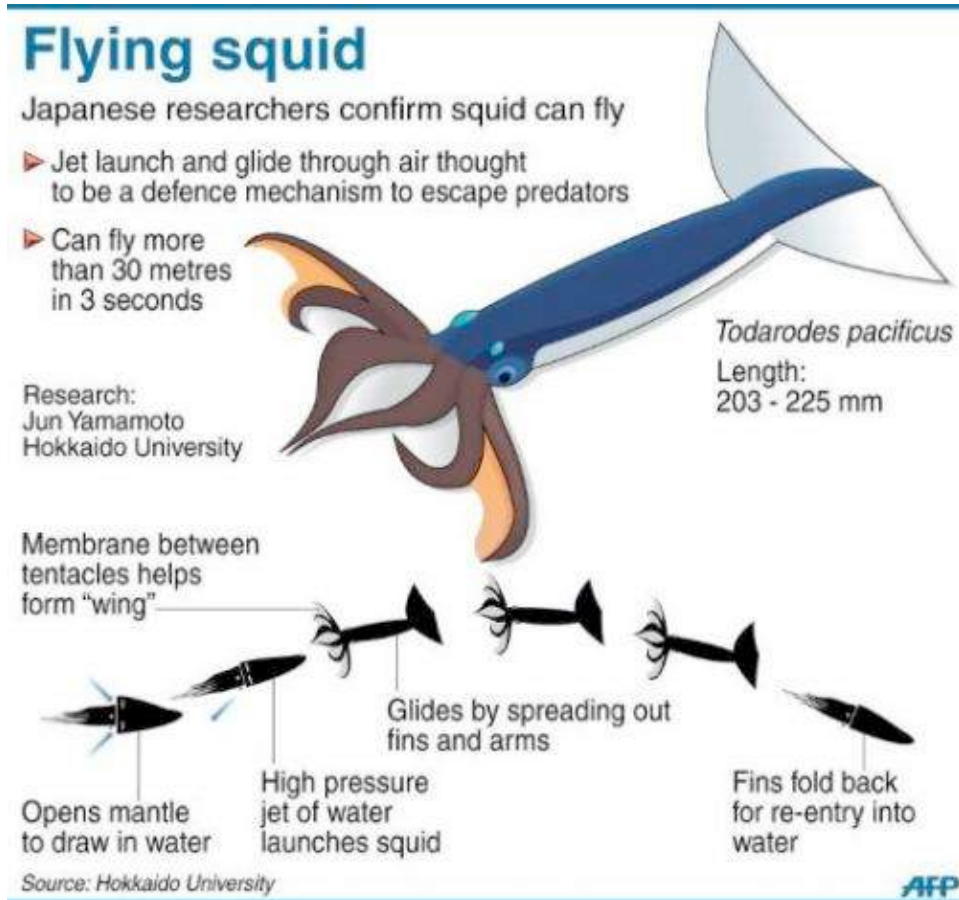


How Big Is the Squid?

Name:

Period:

Flying squid? It sounds like it should be something Dr. Evil could use to take over the world. But, Japanese researchers actually found some in the northwest Pacific Ocean in 2011. By squeezing water out of their bodies quickly, the squid are able to shoot out of the water and glide on outstretched fins, moving faster than an Olympic Gold Medalist swimmer. Should we be worried about flying squid attacks? Look at the graphic below, and decide for yourself.



Think about what you have learned about the metric units used for measuring length. Look at the metric units label for the length of the squid in the diagram. Is this a very small, small, big, or very big unit of measurement?

The size of unit of measurement for the squid (mm) is _____

What is the reason that scientists think these squid fly?

In the space below, state if people need to worry about Dr. Evil using real *Giant* flying squid or not, based upon what you have learned. What evidence do you have to back up your opinion?

