

Wallaby

*In this text there are a number of gaps. Each gap is to be filled with **ONE** word that makes sense in the context and that is grammatically correct.*

A cousin of the kangaroo is now resting comfortably back in captivity after hopping away from Washington Park Zoo in Michigan City. A two-foot-tall, 20-pound female wallaby first squeezed _____₁ a narrow gap at the bottom of its cage door and then broke free of the zoo grounds using a tiny opening in the fencing, said Assistant Zoo Director Albert Poplawski.

According to police reports, officers _____₂ alerted by an anonymous caller at about 2 a.m. on Tuesday about a small kangaroo walking across Lake Shore Drive near the zoo. When zoo security officer Carl Weinig had confirmed that the female was _____₃, officers armed themselves with a net and began the _____₄.

Weinig later joined police in the attempts to locate the Australian native that was found in _____₅ than an hour at the ice skating rink in Washington Park following a short race on foot. The wallaby surrendered peacefully. Poplawski said that if police had netted the animal, the wallaby could have “stressed out” and died from a heart _____₆.

According to Poplawski, the men were lucky to _____₇ caught the wallaby so soon. Wallabies can run almost as _____₈ as kangaroos, which are known to travel 40 miles per hour. He said the wallaby posed _____₉ danger because this species is gentle, unlike kangaroos, which

are known to attack with razor-sharp claws on their hind _____ .
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These guys are small and avoid violence as _____ as possible.
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The 15-month-old animal was one of two female wallabies brought to the zoo
on Monday to mate with two male wallabies that have been at the zoo for the
_____ three years.
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“In order to _____ further wallaby escapes,” Poplawski said,
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“we’ve already gone and plugged up anything and everything from the smallest
hole these animals _____ possibly get through. It’s really kind of
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amazing how she ever got out.”



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