

The Platypus

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- a. The word 'him' refers to the Duck-billed Platypus.
- b. He could be fish, animal, or bird.
- c. The word 'we' refers to the scientists.

2.

- a. The scientists could not classify the platypus because he bore different characteristics that resembled animals belonging to different species.
- b. The phrase 'Rage at bay' means that this creature could keep its rage under control.
- c. The horrid name given to the Platypus was Ornithorhynchus Paradoxus.

1.

The lines from the poem that personify the platypus are: 'My child, the Duck-billed Platypus A sad example sets for us: From him we learn how Indecision Of character provokes Derision.'

2.

The human quality of indecisiveness is being attributed to the platypus.