

# Platypus

## Mr. Bungle

Ornithorhynchus anatinus - platypus  
Sleeping geology  
On the isolated shore  
For millions of years  
Experimental continent  
On purpose or accident?  
Mysterious evolving  
Problem solving  
A vaudeville? A nation including one superior creation  
A vertebra? Inverted...quite unheard of...  
Orphan in a family  
And a sole survivor  
He's a living fossil  
Reptilian? Mammalian  
He's a bird-beaked, beaver-butt Australian  
Amphibious? Paradox wearing plaid socks  
Furry beetle? A bugbear, and a paleozoologist's nightmare  
Symmetrical physique of disbelief  
The platypus has the brain of a dolphin  
and can be seen driving a forklift in his habitat of kelp  
He is the larva of the flatworm  
and has the ability to regenerate after injury  
No relation to the flounder.  
Someone shipped him to the blokes  
Who said he was a hoax  
So they cut him to pieces, wrote a thesis  
A cranium of deceit, he's prone to lie and cheat;  
It's no wonder -- a blunder from down under  
Duckbill, watermole, duckmole!  
Barnacle

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