

# Mr. Bungle, Platypus

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