

All About Foxes

Foxes are a member of the dog family, and are found throughout the United Kingdom. Though they are like dogs, they are only a little bit bigger than most cats. The male fox is called a dog and a female fox is called a vixen. As well as being the same size as cats, foxes can retract (pull in) their claws like cats.



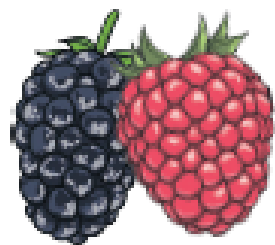
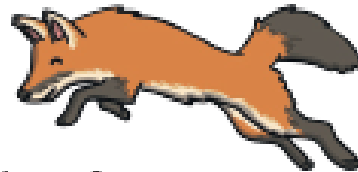
Did you know?

They are mammals, which means they have warm blood and fur. Even though they are nocturnal (move around and eat at night), they can be seen during the day. They like to sunbathe.

Amazing Facts

Foxes have brilliant hearing. They can hear something as quiet as a watch ticking, from 30 metres away!

This would be like hearing someone whisper from across the playground. As well as having great hearing, they can run really fast. They can run up to 30 miles per hour, which is really fast. Did you know that foxes have whiskers on their legs as well as their face, to help them find their way?



What do foxes eat?

Foxes are carnivores, which means they eat meat, but they will eat berries off bushes and even look in rubbish bins for leftovers. Baby

foxes, called kits, drink milk from their mothers before they start eating more usual foods like worms! Foxes will also hide food to come back and eat later.

Where do they live?

Foxes are found in all sorts of places, or habitats. They live with other foxes in dens in the countryside but will also make their homes in towns and cities. You might spot one if you are out on a dark night. In the countryside, foxes used to be hunted for their tail, or brush and because some people see them as pests.



All About Sharks

There are more than 500 different species of shark, including the great white shark, grey reef shark, hammerhead shark, tiger shark, blue shark, bull shark and mako shark. Sharks have five to seven gill slits on the sides of their head.

Where do they live?

Sharks can be found in every ocean in the world. Most sharks don't live in freshwater but some, like the river shark and the bull shark, can live in both freshwater and seawater. Most shark attacks happen in Australia, South Africa, America and Brazil.



Grey Reef Shark



School of Hammerhead Sharks

Big Facts

1. A group of sharks is called a shoal, school or shiver.
2. Sharks do not have any bones in their bodies! They have a skeleton of cartilage instead.
3. One of the smallest sharks is the dwarf lantern shark, which is usually only around 17cm in length.
4. The largest fish in the world is the whale shark, which can measure up to a massive 14 metres long!

What do they eat?

Some types of shark can be deadly, but only about 12 species have ever been involved in human attacks. Humans are actually very harmful to sharks as they illegally hunt them for their meat,

organs and skin. This has led to the great white shark becoming an endangered species.

A shark's feeding depends on its species and where it lives. Most sharks are meat eaters so they often like to eat fish and other sharks, and some larger sharks eat dolphins, sea lions and small whales. Smaller sharks eat molluscs, clams, crabs, squid, lobster and other small aquatic life. Sharks have many rows of replacement teeth, which grow on the inside of their jaws and move forward when needed - a bit like a conveyor belt!

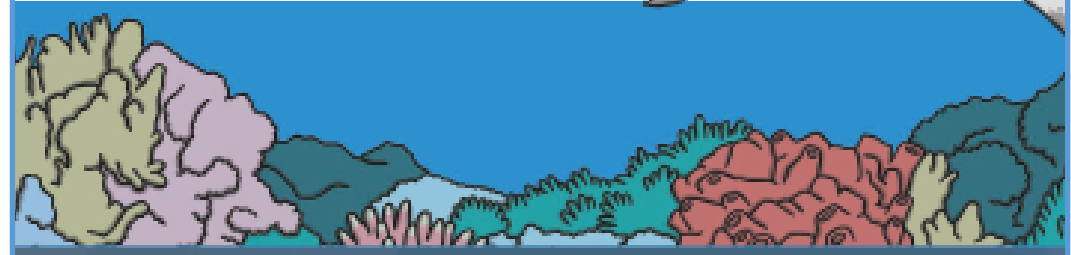


What are they good at?

A shark's sense of smell is so good that they can smell a single drop of blood in the water from 400 metres away. Their hearing is also amazing because they can hear fish moving from around 500 metres away! A baby shark is called a pup. Pups are born already able to take care of themselves. They have to swim away fast as some mothers try to eat their own pups and their own siblings can even attack them! Great white sharks can swim as fast as 18mph!

Amazing Fact!

Most shark species would die if they stopped moving. As long as they keep swimming, water keeps moving over their gills, which keeps them alive.



All About Tigers

What Do Tigers Look Like?

Tigers are mammals. They are the biggest of the big cat family. Most tigers have orange fur with black stripes on their body. Some tigers have black or white fur with light brown stripes. The stripes help to camouflage the tigers when they are hunting for their prey. The markings on every tiger are different, a bit like human fingerprints.

They have long legs to help them run fast and sharp claws to catch and kill their food. They also have a very long tail.



Did You Know...?

Unlike other cats, tigers love water and are fantastic swimmers.

Where Do Tigers Live?

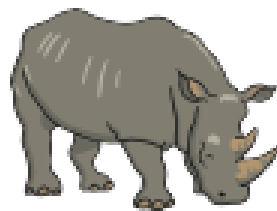
Tigers that live in the wild live in Asia. Some live in the cold parts of the north, others live in the south where it is hotter. Tigers live in different types of forests. They like to live and hunt on their own and mark their territory by scratching marks on trees with their powerful claws.

Sadly, tiger habitats are being destroyed and people hunt them for their fur. This means tigers are now endangered. Most are living in captivity, in places like a zoo or wildlife sanctuaries, to protect them.



What Do Tigers Eat?

Tigers are carnivorous (they only eat meat). They like to hunt for food at night. They silently stalk their prey and then pounce, biting it with their strong, sharp teeth. Tigers eat pigs, rhinos, deer, cows and horses, as well as other smaller animals.



All About _____

Appearance

Write 2 facts about what the animal **looks** like

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Diet

Write 3 facts about what the animal **eats**

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Habitat

Write 2 facts about where the animal **lives**

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Interesting information

Write 1 extra interesting fact about the animal

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