

Teacher's notes

THE BIG WOLF QUIZ

Language: What colour are they? How many are in a family pack? How long are they? How much do they weigh? What do they eat? How many years do they live? How fast can they run?

Resources: **The Big Wolf Quiz** activity sheet, **Wolf fact file** activity sheet, tape measures, (weighing scales)

- a) Elicit from your children how much they know about wolves, e.g. What do wolves look like? (big dogs) Has anyone ever seen a wolf? Where do they live? (Arctic, mountains and plains of America and Asia) Do you like them? Why?
- b) Now guide them through the quiz:
 1. **What colour are they?** Elicit the different colours wolves could be.
 2. **How many wolves are in a family pack?** Do they have big families? Do they like to play and hunt in a big group?
 3. **How long are they from nose to tail?**
Are they as big as Spaniels, for example, or German Shepherds? You might like to give your children a tape measure to make the potential size of the wolf more concrete in terms of metres and centimetres.
 4. **How many teeth have wolves got?** How many teeth have we got? (32) Do wolves have more or less?
 5. **How much do wolves weigh?** How much do you weigh? Do wolves weigh more or less?
 6. **What do wolves eat?** Do they eat other animals (carnivores), vegetables (herbivores) or both (omnivores)?
 7. **How many years do wolves live?** How old do you think dogs live?
 8. **How fast can wolves run?** Do they run as fast as a horse (50 kilometres an hour) or a cheetah?
- c) The children make their guesses and find the answers in the Wolf Fact File.
- d) As an extension activity, the children might like to research another animal and produce a Fact File of their findings.

Wolf Fact File



Name

- ☆ Grey Wolf, Red Wolf, Arctic Wolf.

Colour

- ☆ Grey, red, brown, black, white.

Age

- ☆ Wolves live up to 12 years.

Family

- ☆ Wolves are social animals. They live with families, or packs, of 6-7 wolves.

Home

- ☆ Grey and Red Wolves live in the woods and the mountains.
- ☆ Arctic Wolves live in the Arctic snow.

Description

- ☆ They are very intelligent.
- ☆ They are 1.3 - 1.8 metres long from nose to tail.
- ☆ They have got 42 teeth.
- ☆ They weigh 35 - 50 kilogrammes.
- ☆ They can run up to 50 kilometres an hour.

Diet

- ☆ Wolves are carnivores. They hunt and eat rabbits, birds and deer.

Did you know?

- ☆ The wolf is the biggest animal in the dog family!



The Big Wolf Quiz

How much do you know about wolves? Read and tick your answers:

1. What colour are wolves?

- a) grey, brown, red and yellow b) grey, brown, red and white
c) grey, brown, red and orange

2. How many wolves are in a family pack?

- a) 2 - 3 wolves b) 6 - 7 wolves c) 9 - 10 wolves

3. How long are wolves from nose to tail?

- a) 1.0 - 1.5 metres b) 1.3 - 1.8 metres c) 1.5 - 2.0 metres

4. How many teeth have wolves got?

- a) 22 b) 32 c) 42

5. How much do wolves weigh?

- a) 25 - 35 kilogrammes b) 35 - 50 kilogrammes c) 50 - 60 kilogrammes

6. What do wolves eat?

- a) flowers b) animals c) flowers and animals

7. How many years do wolves live?

- a) 8 years b) 12 years c) 16 years

8. How fast can wolves run?

- a) 30 kilometres an hour b) 40 kilometres an hour c) 50 kilometres an hour