



ANIMALS OF THE WORLD

Beavers and Other Rodents

What is special about a beaver's tail?
What keeps a beaver busy?
Read *Beavers and Other Rodents* to find out!

What did you learn?

QUESTIONS

- The capybara lives in ...
 - Central and South America
 - Europe
 - Asia
 - Africa
- Beaver dams stretch ...
 - 2 to 4 feet across
 - 5 to 10 feet across
 - 15 to 100 feet across
 - 200 to 400 feet across
- Flying squirrels are ...
 - Herbivores
 - Carnivores
 - Frugivore
 - Omnivores
- The nearly hairless rodent is the ...
 - Mouse
 - Naked mole-rat
 - Beaver
 - Chipmunk
- What animal is this?
- What animal is this?

TRUE OR FALSE?

1. A rodent is an animal with long front teeth called incisors.
2. Beavers are carnivores.
3. Baby beavers are called calves.
4. A beaver slaps the water to alert other beavers about danger.
5. Mice will eat glue, leather, paste, and soap.
6. Most lemmings live in the Arctic tundra.

ANSWERS

1. a. Central and South America.

According to section "Where in the World Do Rodents Live?" on page 8, we know that "The largest rodent is called the capybara. It is only found in Central America and South America." So, the correct answer is A.

2. c. 15 to 100 feet across. According to section "Why Do Beavers Build Dams?" on page 20, we know that "Beaver dams can be very long, too. Most stretch between 15 and 100 feet (5 to 30 meters) across." So, the correct answer is C.

3. d. Omnivores. According to section "Can a Flying Squirrel Really Fly?" on page 36, we know that "Unlike most rodents, flying squirrels are not herbivores. They eat birds' eggs and insects, as well as berries and nuts." So, the correct answer is D.

4. b. Naked mole-rat. According to section "What Is the Strangest Rodent of All?" on page 56, we know that "The naked mole-rat may be the strangest rodent of all. It looks like an overcooked sausage with buck teeth. It is nearly hairless, with wrinkled pink skin." So, the correct answer is B.

5. According to page 31, this photo shows a capybara.

6. According to page 37, this photo shows a flying squirrel.

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

1. True. According to section "What Is a Rodent?" on page 6, we know that "A rodent is an animal with long front teeth called incisors." So, the correct answer is True.

2. False. According to section "What Do Beavers Like to Gnaw?" on page 12, we know that "Like many rodents, beavers are herbivores." So, the correct answer is False.

3. False. According to section "What Do Baby Beavers Look Like?" on page 24, we know that "Young beavers are called kits or pups." So, the correct answer is False.

4. True. According to section "Who Hunts Beavers for Food?" on page 28, we know that "If a hunting animal comes near, a beaver will slap the water with its tail. It does this to warn other beavers of danger." So, the correct answer is True.

5. True. According to section "Does a Mouse Really Love Cheese?" on page 46, we know that "A mouse will also eat things that humans will not. For example, it will also eat glue, leather, paste, and soap!" So, the correct answer is True.

6. True. According to section "Where Do Lemmings Live?" on page 54, we know that "Most lemmings live in the Arctic tundra, a cold, dry area without trees in the north of Alaska, Canada, Europe, and Asia." So, the correct answer is True.