

CREATURES AND CRITTERS

Activity lasts approx 1 – 1 ½ hours.

To set the theme: Complete the quiz.
Colour in a picture.

Think about which animals you might see in the wildlife garden and around the campsite in general. Make a list.

Go around the wildlife garden and the campsite and look for evidence which shows that these creatures may be about.

Go back to the resource centre in the wildlife garden and use the books to look up information about the creatures you may have seen.

Draw pictures of your favourite creatures and critters and add information about them to your picture.

Resources available in the resource centre/wildlife garden: Books, information cards,

Suggested resources for the participants/organisers to bring: pencils, pens, colours, paper, camera, downloaded quiz and pictures to colour.

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Where can they be found?

RATS - In the coppice areas.
In the wood pile.
Rubbish bin areas.

MICE - In the wildlife garden under the tree by the resource centre.
Anywhere!

SQUIRRELS - In the bins!
In the trees.
Running around the paths and across the field.
In the wildlife garden on the bird feeding tables.

FOXES - Roaming around the site.
In the wildlife garden.
In the field.
By the car park entrance and the reception area.

BATS - Flying around the field and coppice areas at dusk.

FROGS AND TOADS - Near the pond in the wildlife garden.
In damp areas under shrubs, stones and wood piles.

CREATURES AND CRITTERS QUIZ

1. Which creature can be grey or red and lives in the trees?
2. Which creatures come in several different types and usually live in woods, gardens and hedgerows? It is small and mostly nocturnal.
3. Which long tailed critter lives underground but likes to eat rubbish?
4. This creature lives in an 'earth'. Seen mostly during the night but sometimes during the day and has a white tip on its tail. It looks like a dog. What is it?
5. What creature lives in the hedgerows, grass and on the edges of woods and looks like a snake but is a legless lizard?
6. This creature lives near ponds in damp and sometimes dark places. It can be seen in a variety of colours and leaves spawn in the pond after breeding. What is it?
7. Which critter is like the one above but 'walks' rather than hops and has a warty skin?
8. These creatures are furry and are nocturnal. They live in trees and the roofs of barns, outhouses. They fly. What are they?
9. Name three different types of mouse?
10. What creature is rarely seen but often leaves 'hills' everywhere particularly in lawns?

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ANSWERS

1. SQUIRRELS.
2. MOUSE
3. RATS
4. FOX
5. SLOW WORM
6. FROG
7. TOAD
8. BATS
9. HOUSE, WOOD, DORMOUSE
10. MOLE