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HUMMINGBIRD

Hummingbirds are considered one of the smallest birds in the world. There are over 300 species of hummingbirds! Did you ever wonder why they are called humming birds? That is because their wings move so fast they make a humming noise.

Hummingbirds can fly in all kinds of directions. They can fly up, down, forwards, backwards, and upside down! Hummingbirds are mostly found in North and Central America. A hummingbirds diet is nectar from flowers, tree sap, and even tiny bugs.

Hummingbirds need to eat 5-8 times an hour. That's a lot of eating!

Fun Facts
Weight - They weigh about 4 grams
Size - They are between 2-4 inches
Lifespan - They average about 5 years of life

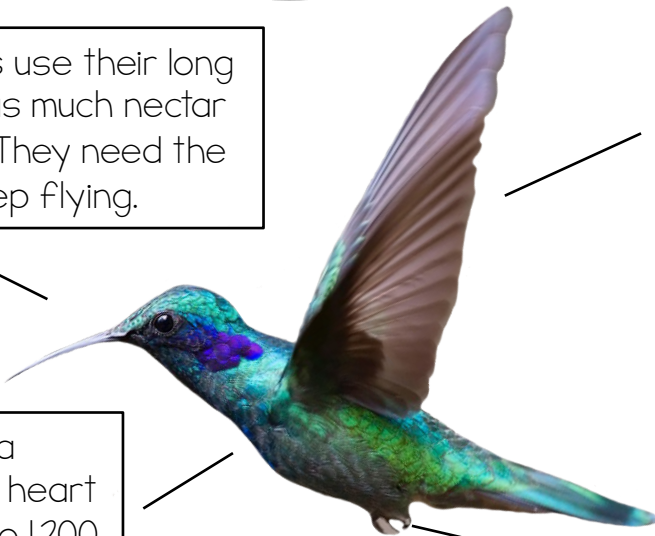
HUMMING BIRDS ARE FAST LITTLE BIRDS.



Hummingbirds use their long beak to eat as much nectar as they can. They need the energy to keep flying.

The wings on a hummingbird can flap up to 200 times in one second. That is so fast that it looks like a blur!

When flying, a hummingbirds heart can beat up to 1,200 beats in one minute!



Hummingbirds use lots of energy when they fly and need time to rest. They use their feet to perch and relax.

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HUMMING BIRD:

Comprehension Questions

1. How did the hummingbird get its name?

2. List the many ways a hummingbird can fly.

3. What do hummingbirds eat?

4. Where do hummingbirds live?

5. What do hummingbirds use their beaks for?

6. How fast can a hummingbird's wings flap in one minute?

7. How long do hummingbirds live?

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SQUIRREL

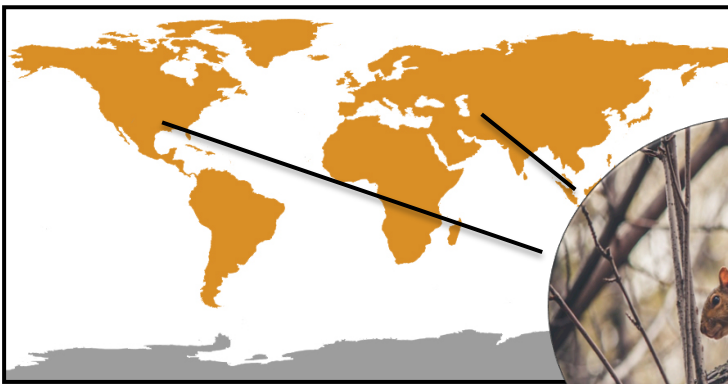
Take a walk outside and you will most likely see a squirrel. There are 280 species of squirrel. Did you know that the word squirrel means shadow tail? They also use their tail to talk to each other. There are 3 different types of squirrels. There are ground squirrels, tree squirrels, and flying squirrels. Squirrels are omnivores, which means they eat plants and meat. They eat nuts, seeds, fruit, insects, baby birds, snakes, and even eggs. Squirrels can be found on every continent in the world except for Australia and Antarctica. They live in areas with trees and woods.

Fun Facts

Weight - They can weigh up to 4 pounds and as little as less than 1 pound

Size - They can be as big as 36 inches and as small as 3 inches

Lifespan - They can live from 6 years to 20

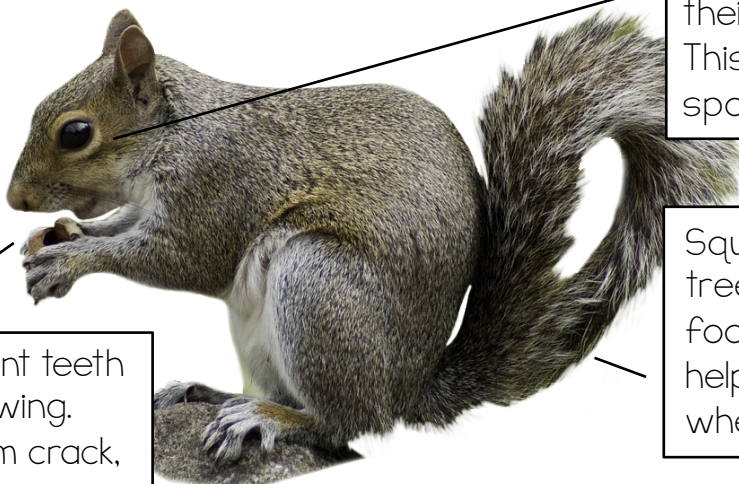


SQUIRRELS ARE GREAT GATHERERS

Squirrels have a great sense of smell and use their nose to track down food.

Squirrels have big eyes. They can see without turning their head around. This helps them spot food!

Squirrels have 4 front teeth that never stop growing. Their teeth help them crack, chew, and eat food.



Squirrels jump from trees looking for food. Their big tail helps them balance when they jump.

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SQUIRREL:

Comprehension Questions

1. What does the word squirrel mean?

2. What are the three different types of squirrels?

3. What does the word "*omnivore*" mean?

4. What do squirrels eat?

5. What do squirrels use their four front teeth for?

6. True or False: A squirrel can see without turning its head around.

7. What does a squirrel's tail help them with?

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BUTTERFLY

The weather is warming up and the butterflies are coming out! Did you know there are more than 20,000 species of butterflies? Butterflies are insects. They have four stages of life: egg, caterpillar, pupa, and adult. As an adult, butterflies have four beautiful scaly wings. They can't fly if their body temperature is not above 86 degrees. Some butterflies can fly as fast as 30 miles per hour!. Butterflies live all over the world except for Antarctica. Many butterflies are found in tropical rainforests, but they can live in many different climates and habitats.

Fun Facts

Weight - They can weigh between 0.04-0.3 grams

Size - Their size can range from 1/8th inch up to 12 inches

Lifespan - They can live up to 12 months



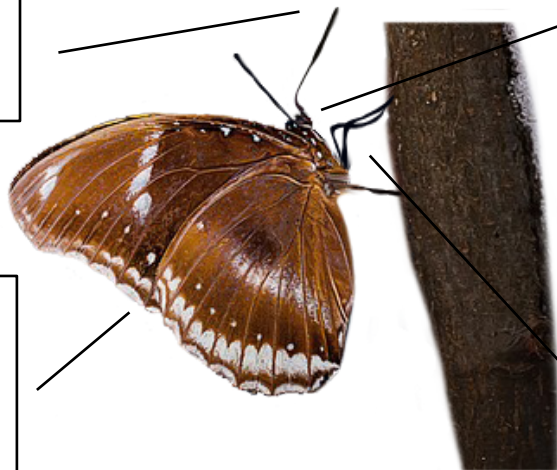
**BUTTERFLIES
ARE
INTERESTING
INSECTS.**

Butterflies smell things using their antennae.

Butterflies have a tongue shaped like a tube. Their tongue helps them drink or suck on the nectar from flowers.

Butterflies can be many different colors. Their colors help them blend in with the flowers!

Butterflies taste things with their feet!



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BUTTERFLY:

Comprehension Questions

1. How many species of butterflies are there?

2. What are the four stages of a butterfly's life?

3. True or False: A butterfly can not fly if their body temperature is not above 86 degrees.

4. What do butterflies drink from flowers?

5. What do butterflies use their antennae for?

6. What does a butterfly's color help them do?.

7. What is a butterfly's tongue shaped like?

