

L: improve mastery of drawing technique by
sketching animals that might be found in our local
area.



Badger

L: explore a variety of living things in our local environment.

European Badgers

The European badger is mainly found in parts of Europe. It can also be found in countries such as Japan and China.

What do they look like?

- European badgers have grey, black and white fur.
- They are known for their black and white striped faces.
- They have short, fluffy tails.
- They grow up to around 100cm in length.

What do they eat?

- European badgers are omnivores.
- They eat nuts, fruit, insects, worms, snails and small mammals.

Where do they live?

- European badgers live mainly in areas of woodland.
- They live in underground homes called setts.
- They use plant materials like grass and straw to sleep on.
- They can sometimes be seen in more urban areas.

Did you know...?

The European badger is the largest land predator in the United Kingdom.

How have they adapted to their environment?

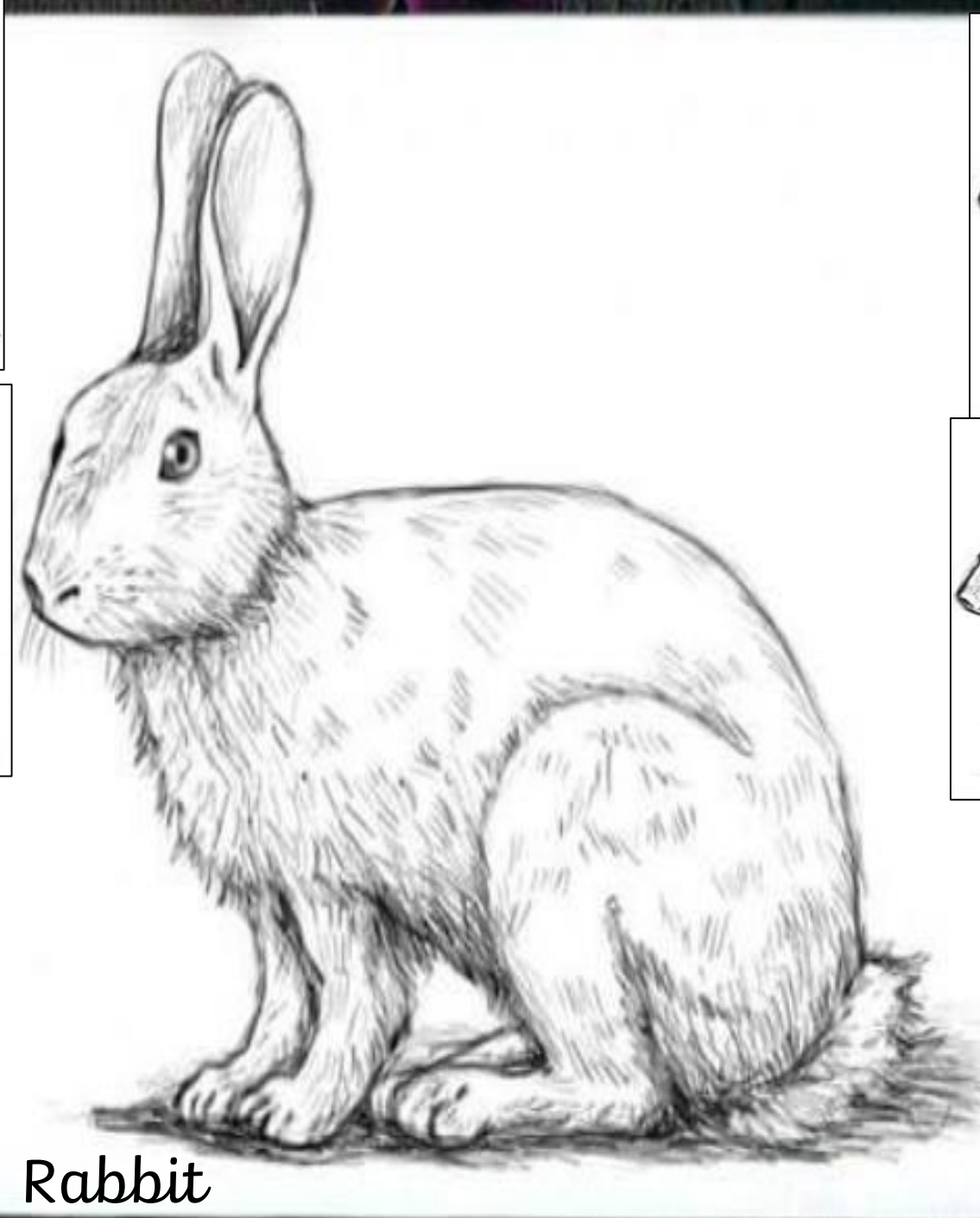
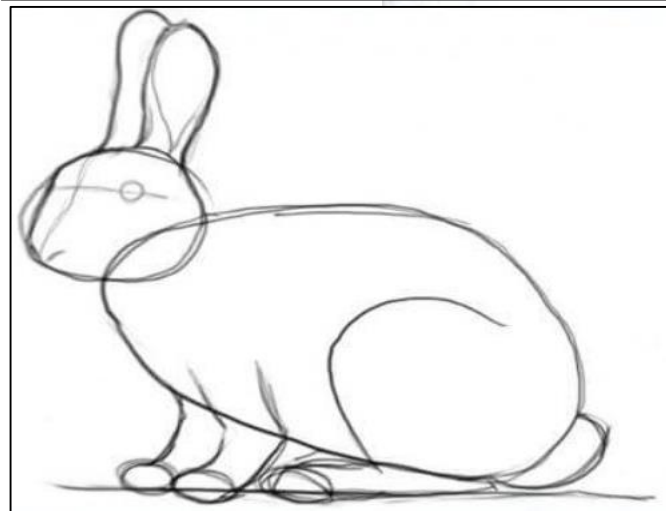
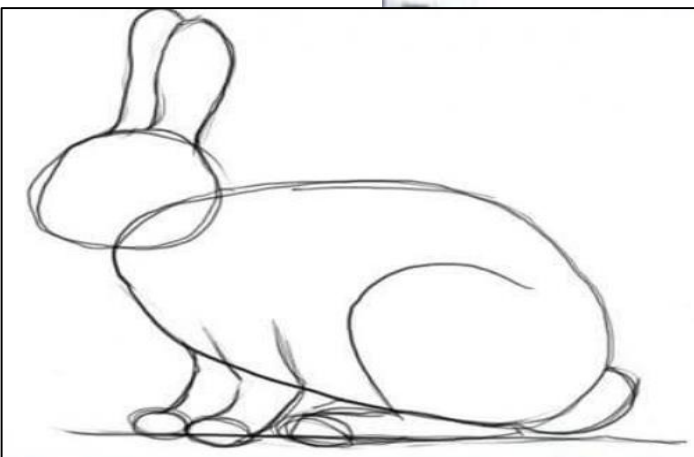
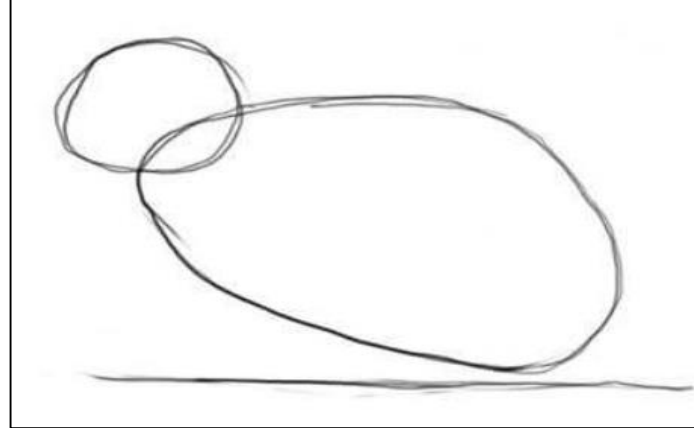
European badgers have to dig through tough dirt to make their setts. This is why they have sharp claws and strong legs.

The black and white stripes on their faces look like tree branches in the dark. This helps them to camouflage.

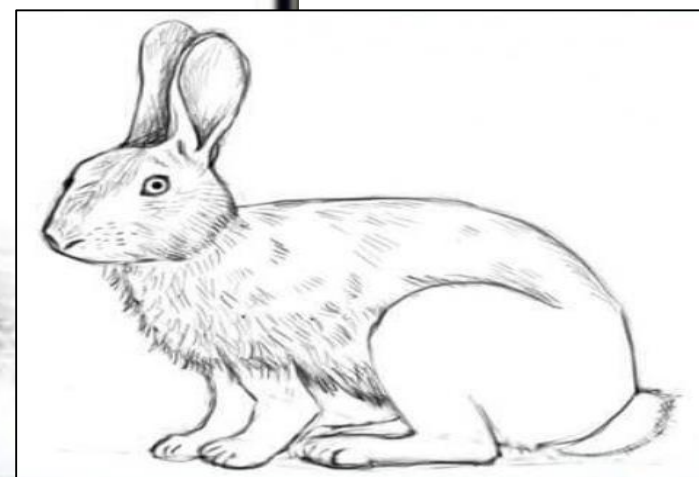
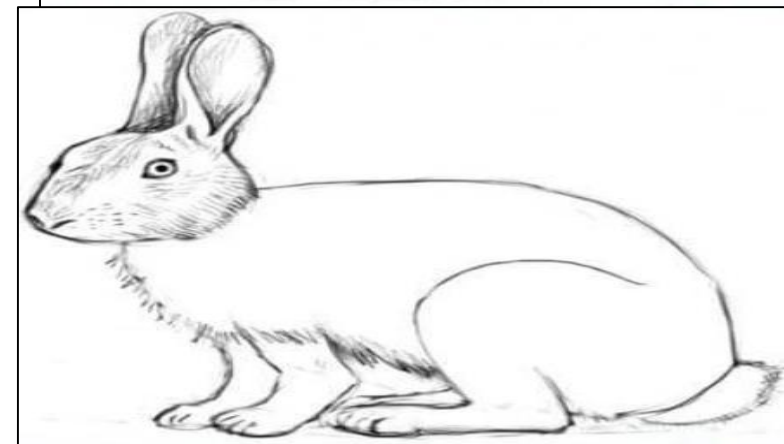
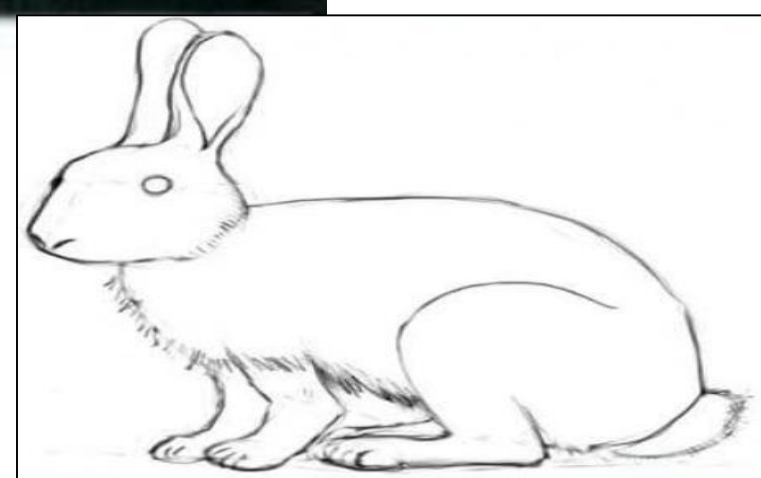
They have poor eyesight but make up for this with good hearing and an excellent sense of smell.

Their teeth are suited to their omnivorous diet.





Rabbit





10 FUN RABBIT FACTS

pets

The word **bunny** is a nickname

for a rabbit. It doesn't describe a small or young rabbit, but is just a cute word for rabbits.



Carrots aren't part of a rabbit's diet. Wild rabbits love eating carrot tops, but the actual carrot is too sugary for the furry animals.



Rabbits love company. In the wild, they often live in groups of 30. As pets, they like to live with another rabbit or two.



Rabbits do a happy jump called the **binky**. When a rabbit is excited or happy, they leap into the air and twist their bodies.



Rabbit teeth never stop growing. Rabbits eat grass and hay to wear down their teeth and stop them from becoming too long.



Rabbits are amazing at high jump. They can leap up to 1 metre into the air. That's about twice as high as they are.

Rabbits' ears are super flexible.

Rabbits can turn their ears by 180 degrees, so they can listen to what's in front, next to, or behind them.



Baby rabbits are called kittens.

Female rabbits are does and male rabbits are called bucks.



Rabbits have nearly 360 degrees vision. Their eyes are on the side of their heads, so they can keep a close eye on their surroundings.

Rabbits use fur as padding for their feet. Unlike other pets, rabbits don't have paw pads. Instead, the thick layer of fur keeps their feet nicely padded.



Fox



L: name a variety of living things in our local environment.

Foxes

Foxes are mammals and members of the dog family. Foxes can be found in every continent in the world except for Antarctica. There are many different types of foxes. The most common species is the red fox.

Appearance

Foxes are smaller than wild dogs or wolves. They have bushy tails and pointed noses and ears. Different species of fox have different colours and textures of fur. Red foxes can be brown, grey or black. Foxes that live in colder areas tend to have thicker coats.



Arctic Fox



Black Fox (also known as silver, grey or blue fox)

Habitat

Foxes live in different climates and environments around the world. Many foxes dig burrows to sleep in and have their cubs.

Some foxes have adapted to living in towns and cities. They often scavenge for food scraps. These are known as urban foxes.

Diet

Foxes are omnivores. They are good at hunting and can catch rabbits, birds or rodents. They will also eat earthworms, frogs, large insects, berries and fruits.



Young

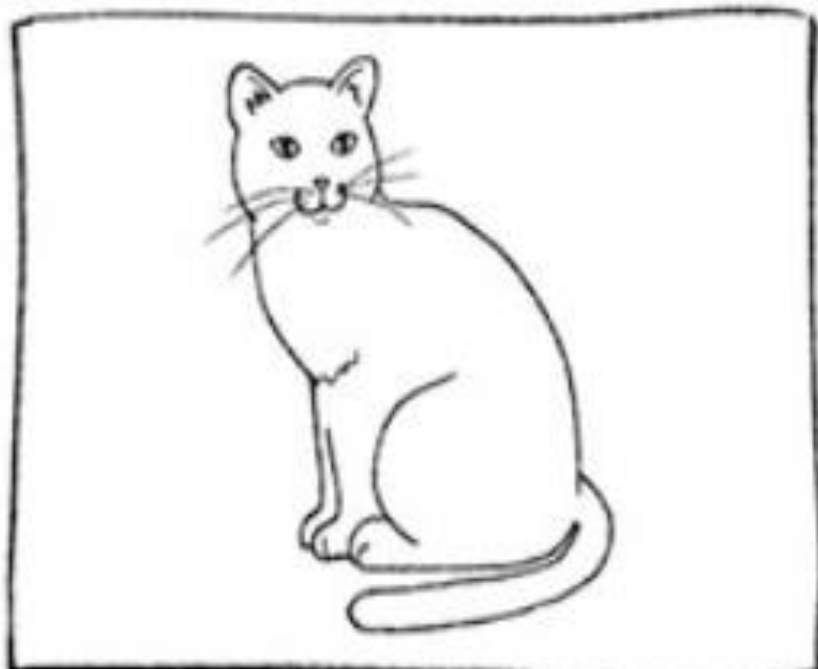
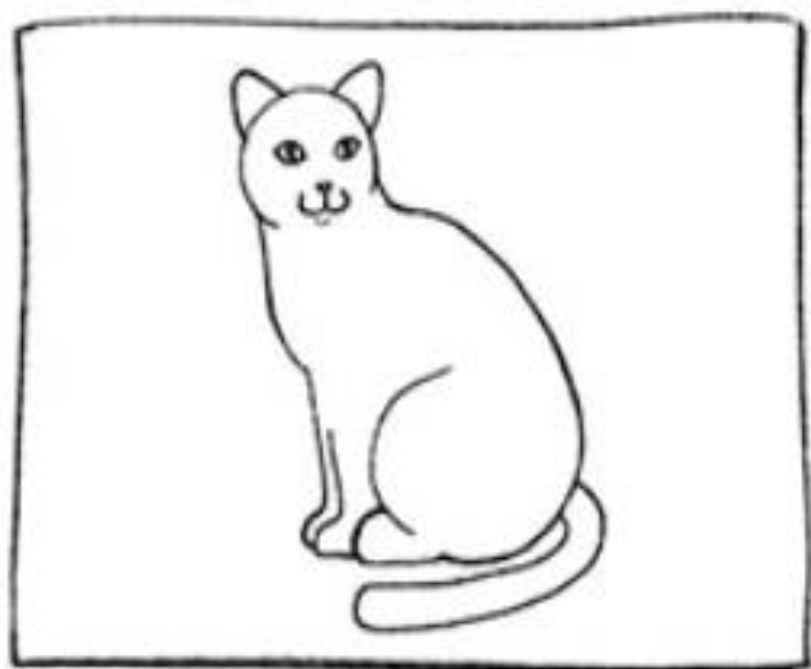
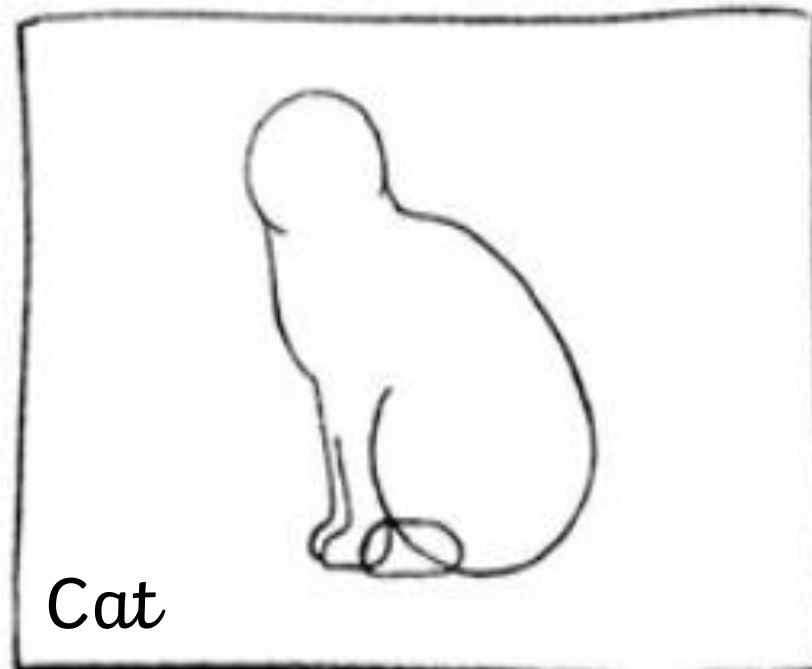
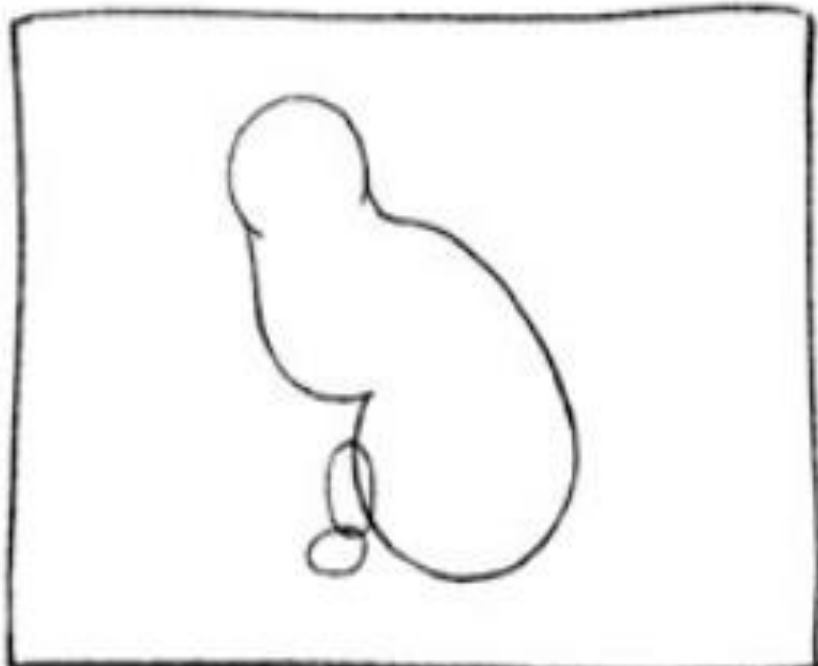
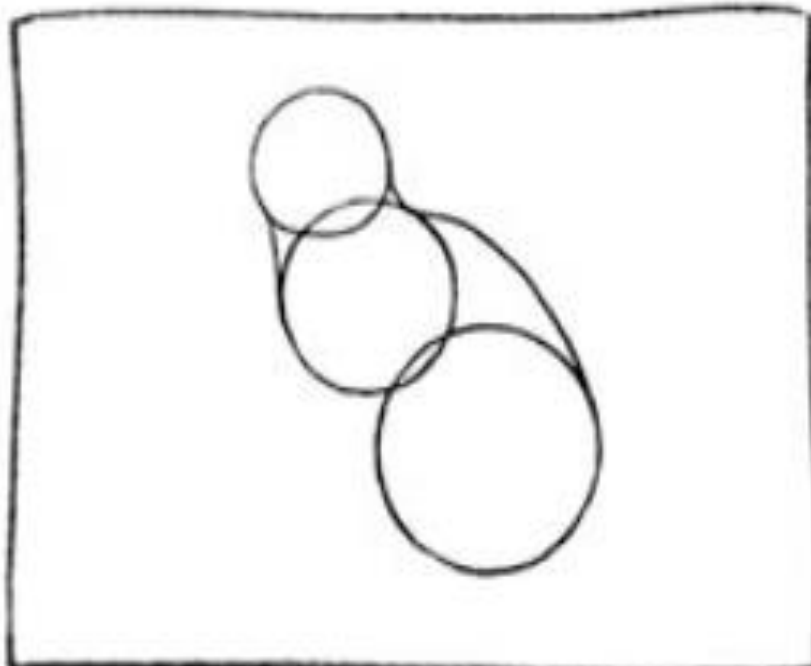
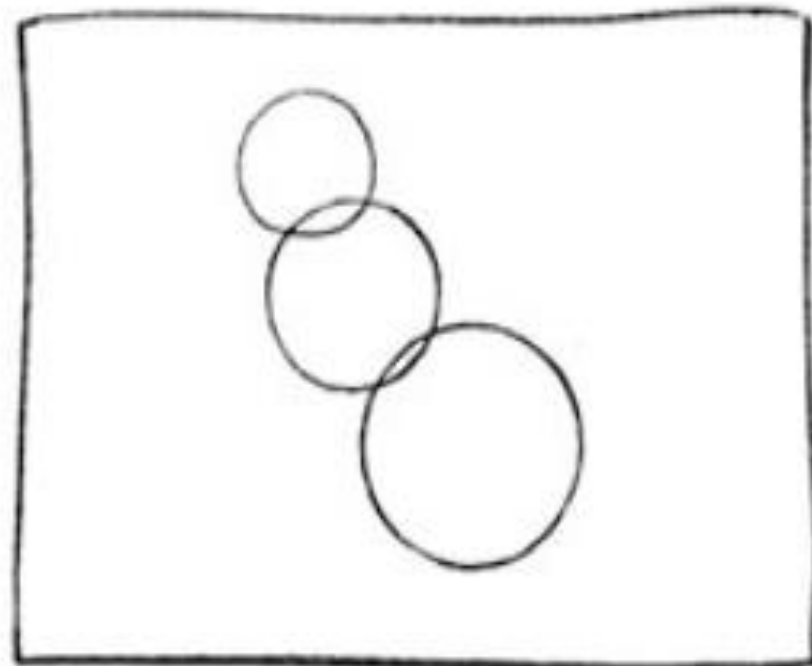
Baby foxes are known as cubs, kits or pups. A female fox is called a vixen and a male fox is called a tod or a dog.

Different species of foxes have different numbers of cubs. Red foxes usually have around five cubs but Arctic foxes often have larger litters.

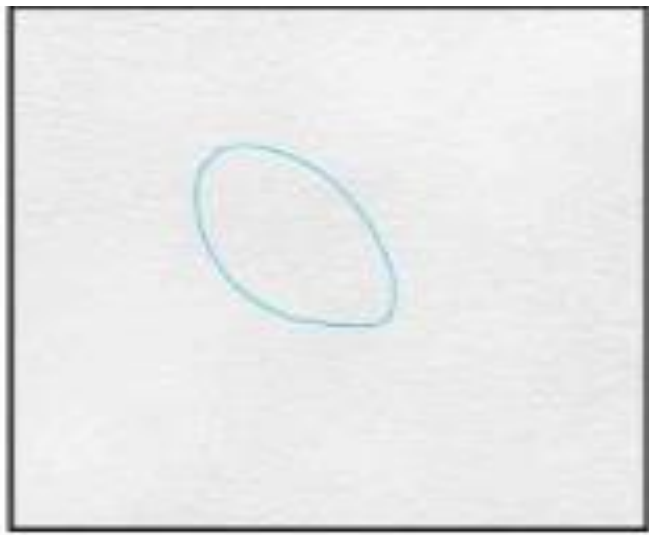
Fascinating Fact

Foxes can run at speeds of up to 30 miles per hour (48kph).

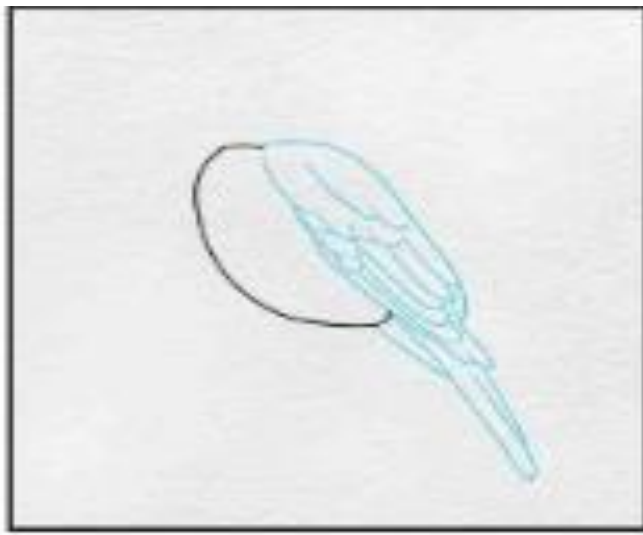
Name:	Red Fox
Scientific Name:	Vulpes vulpes
Location:	Every continent except Antarctica.
Habitat:	Adaptable to many different habitats.
Size:	Up to one metre long.



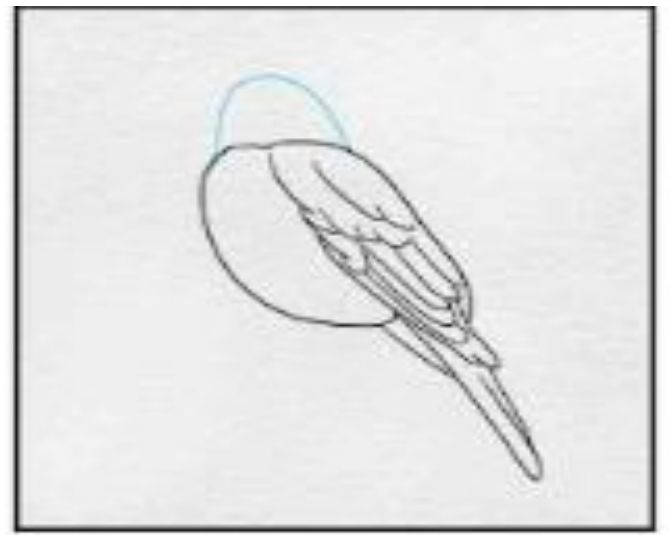
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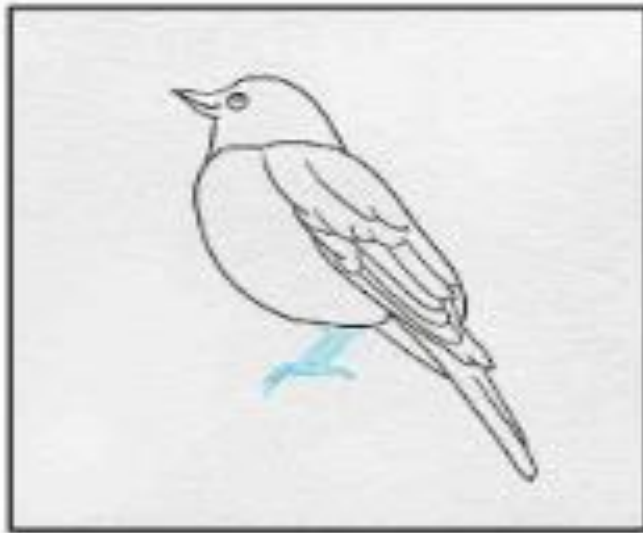
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Chaffinch

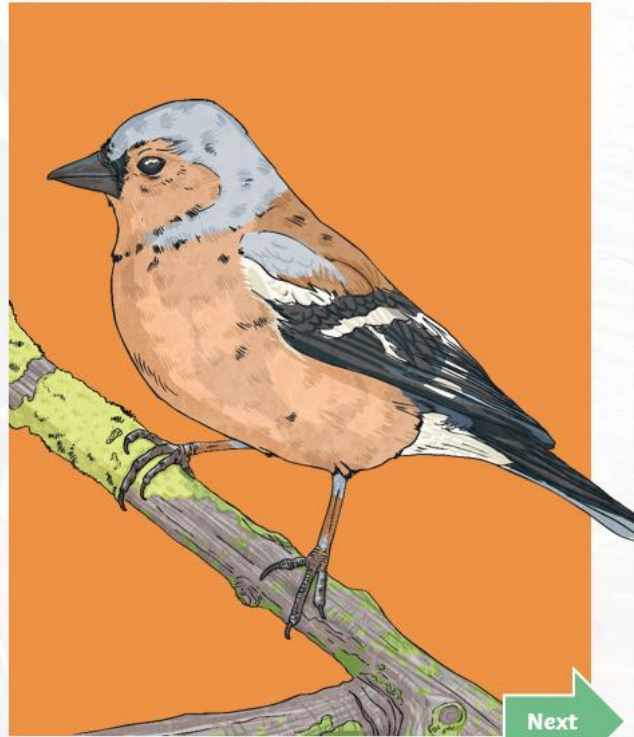
Chaffinch Interesting Facts

The chaffinch is the UK's second commonest breeding bird.

It will not feed off bird tables but will hop about on the ground and in hedges to look for food.

It has a patterned plumage that helps to camouflage it while on the ground.

It prefers gardens with lots of trees; oak trees are its favourite.



Next



Chaffinches have regional accents! Their song is slightly different depending on where they are found in the UK.

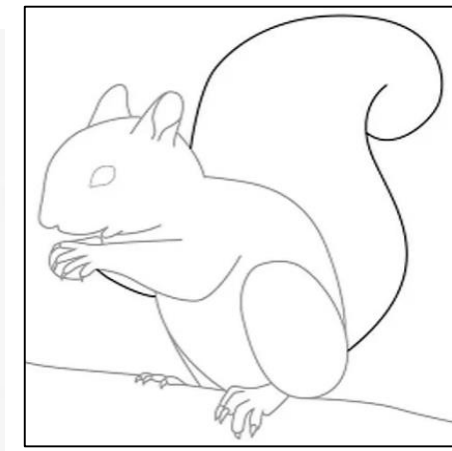
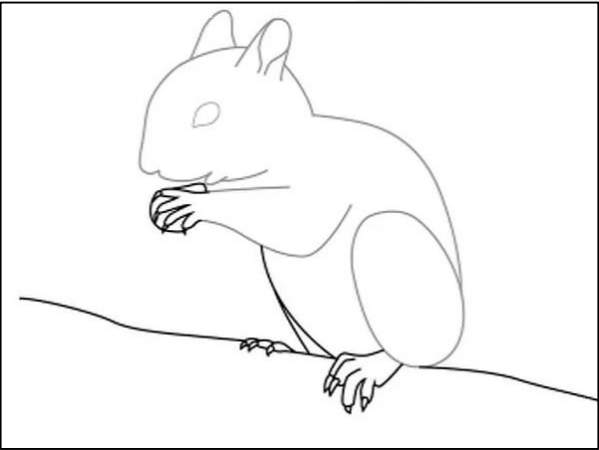
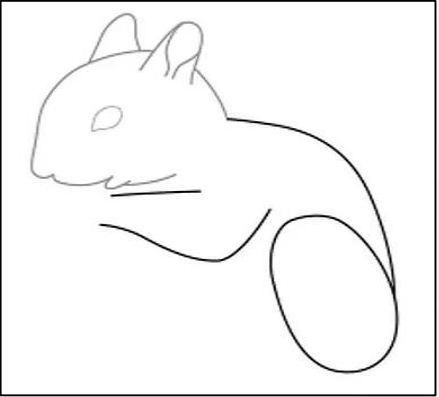
They are omnivores, eating insects and seeds.

Did You Know...?

Chaffinches can live for up to three years. During the Victorian era, it was fashionable to have a caged chaffinch in your house due to its lovely singing voice. Trapping chaffinches in order to cage them was outlawed in 1896.



Home



Squirrel

Grey Squirrels



Spot a Squirrel

- grey fur
- large front teeth
- big eyes
- pointy ears
- big, bushy tail with white around the edge

Grey squirrels tend to weigh around 550g. That's nearly twice as much as red squirrels!

Where Do They Live?

You can find squirrels in many places around the world.

They are usually found in woodland but grey squirrels also go into gardens. They like ones with bird feeders in them. They were introduced to the UK from the US in the 1800s.



What Do They Eat?

Grey squirrels mostly eat:

- nuts
- acorns
- seeds



Sometimes, they might also eat:

- berries
- flowers
- pine cones
- birds' eggs
- insects
- young birds



Squirrels are rodents.

- They live for 2-5 years.
- They live in trees.
- They bury food they find in autumn to eat it in winter.

In a Nutshell

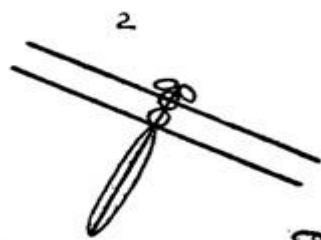
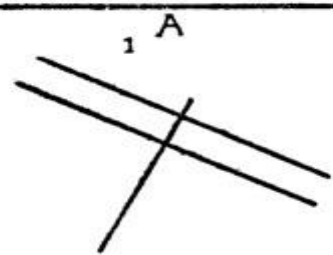


Surprising Squirrels

They have double-jointed ankles so their feet can face forwards or backwards when climbing trees.

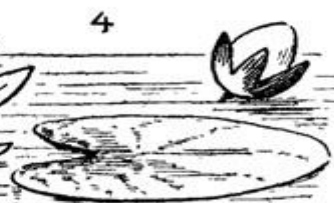
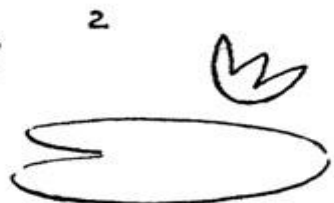
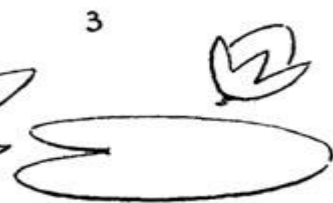
They sometimes pretend to bury nuts to fool any other squirrels that might be watching.

Sometimes, they forget where they buried their nuts which means they accidentally plant trees all the time.

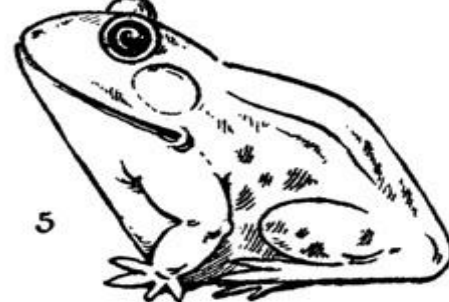
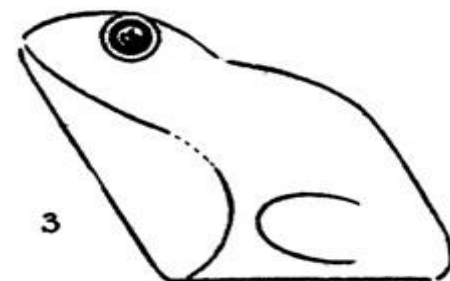
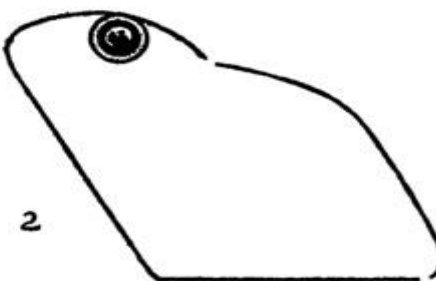
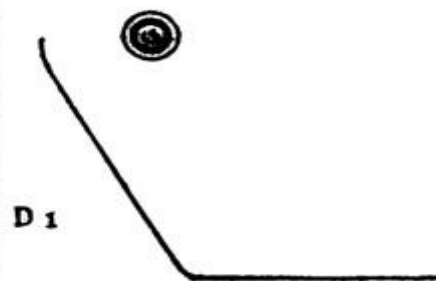


Dragon-fly

Water-lily



Frogs



Tadpoles

Frogs

Frogs are amphibians which means they live both on land and in water. They lay eggs in water and this is called frogspawn. The frogspawn hatch into tadpoles which can only breathe in water through their gills. Eventually these grow into small frogs and develop lungs.

What do they look like?

Frogs come in a variety of colours and sizes.

They have smooth skin and large eyes. A frog's back legs are much longer than their front legs. They have webbed feet to help them swim.

Their back legs have powerful muscles and they can jump long distances.



Where do they live?

Frogs can be found in many different habitats. They live all over the world except in Antarctica.

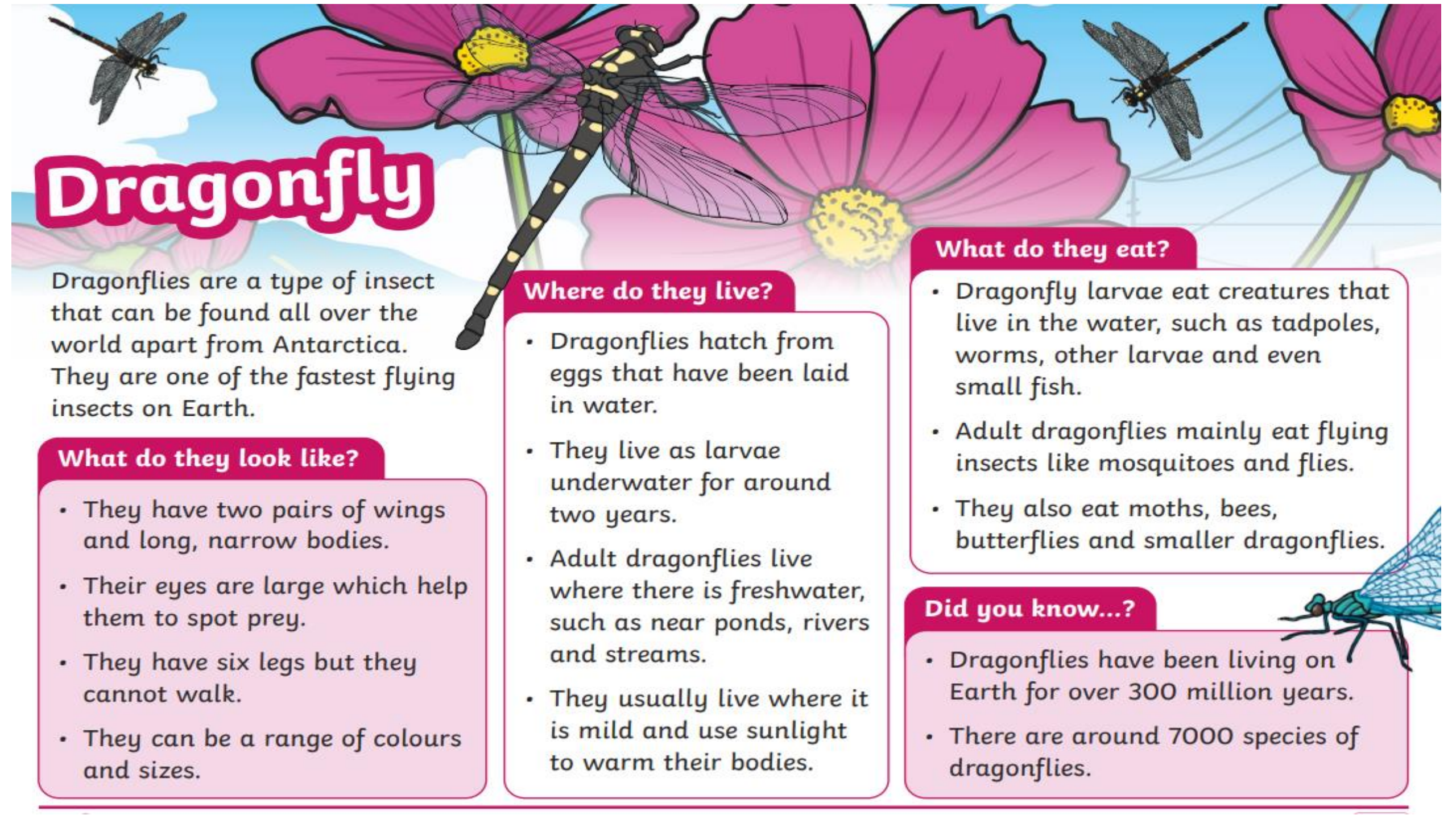
They prefer to live in wet places and thrive in rainforests.

What do they eat?

Most frogs use their long, sticky tongue to grab other creatures to eat. They like to eat insects, worms and snails. They eat the larvae of water creatures like dragonflies.

Did you know...?

- Many frogs have skin glands that produce poison. Frogs that are very poisonous usually have brightly coloured skin to warn predators.
- Tree frogs have sticky pads on their toes to help them climb.

The background of the page features a vibrant illustration of several pink flowers with yellow centers. Three dragonflies are depicted: one in the top left corner, a large one in the center with its wings spread, and another in the top right corner. The dragonflies have dark bodies with yellow spots and transparent wings.

Dragonfly

Dragonflies are a type of insect that can be found all over the world apart from Antarctica. They are one of the fastest flying insects on Earth.

What do they look like?

- They have two pairs of wings and long, narrow bodies.
- Their eyes are large which help them to spot prey.
- They have six legs but they cannot walk.
- They can be a range of colours and sizes.

Where do they live?

- Dragonflies hatch from eggs that have been laid in water.
- They live as larvae underwater for around two years.
- Adult dragonflies live where there is freshwater, such as near ponds, rivers and streams.
- They usually live where it is mild and use sunlight to warm their bodies.

What do they eat?

- Dragonfly larvae eat creatures that live in the water, such as tadpoles, worms, other larvae and even small fish.
- Adult dragonflies mainly eat flying insects like mosquitoes and flies.
- They also eat moths, bees, butterflies and smaller dragonflies.

Did you know...?

- Dragonflies have been living on Earth for over 300 million years.
 - There are around 7000 species of dragonflies.
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- A small, detailed illustration of a dragonfly with a blue body and transparent wings, positioned in the bottom right corner of the page.

Tidy Up

- 1) Put your NAME on your work
- 2) Put your work in your TRAY – we will do some more on Friday afternoon.
- 3) Put away felt tips and spare animals at the front.
- 4) Sort equipment pots
- 5) Check floor is clean
- 6) Stand behind your chair