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Did you know that almost half of all mammal species in the world are rodents? It's true!
Learn more fun animal fact below!

ANIMAL FUN FACTS

CATS



- Cats have excellent vision which helps them as expert hunters. They are usually very quiet when pursuing their prey.
- Only big cats roar. Little cats purr.
- The largest wild cat is the Siberian Tiger -- from head to tail they can measure more than 10 feet and weigh more than 600 pounds.
- Cats have hairy tails and rough tongues that they use to clean their fur.

PRIMATES



- There are about 230 species of primates.
- Monkeys and apes have families or larger groups called 'troops,' and often behave like people.
- Primates have developed behaviors that let them live almost anywhere -- from the semi-desert areas of Africa to the cold mountains of Asia.
- Monkeys and apes have hands that can grab. They have eyes that face forward allowing them to see precise distances.

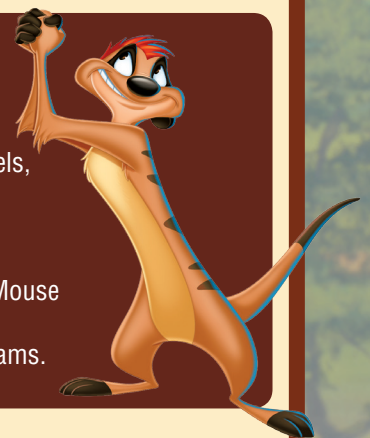
BIRDS



- Birds are the only animals on earth to have feathers which grow out of their skin.
- Wing feathers help birds fly, tail feathers help them turn, and they also help to control a bird's body temperature.
- Birds migrate great distances every year in response to changes in their environment and weather.
- Scientists believe that birds may have evolved from dinosaurs.
- Birds use their beaks to do the important jobs of collecting food and eating.

RODENTS

- Almost half of all mammal species are rodents.
- There are over 1700 different kinds of rodents including squirrels, mice and meerkats.
- Rodents are nature's collectors, foresters and builders.
- The smallest rodent is a Pygmy Mouse of Central America which is only 1 inch long and weighs only 7 grams.



HOOFED ANIMALS

- Pigs, boars, hippos, camels, deer, giraffes, antelopes and many other hoofed animals all have a horny hoof on each toe which is used for gripping the ground.
- The tallest hoofed mammal is the giraffe which can be 19 feet tall.
- The heaviest hoofed animal is the African hippopotamus which can weigh about 10000 pounds.
- Studies have shown that pigs are as smart as dogs -- they've been taught to fetch, sit and do many of the tricks that dogs can do.



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