



**ALL ABOUT**  
**WOLVES**

Howl, roam, and explore these  
clever pack animals!

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## MEET THE WOLVES!

Awooooo! A long howl echoes through the trees—it's a wolf! **Wolves** are wild animals that look a bit like big dogs. They are smart, strong, and love to work together. Wolves live in families and travel across forests and open lands as a team.





## WHAT WOLVES ARE LIKE

Wolves are **mammals**, which means they have fur and drink milk from their mothers when they are babies. They have four strong legs, sharp teeth, pointy ears, and a bushy tail. Wolves usually have gray, brown, white, or black fur. Their thick fur keeps them warm in cold weather.



## WHERE WOLVES LIVE

Wolves live in many places, including forests, mountains, grasslands, and snowy areas. They need lots of space to **roam** and **hunt**. Wolves often travel long distances together to find food and safe places to rest.

## FROM PUP TO ADULT

A wolf's life begins as a pup. **Pups** are born small and blind. They stay close to their mother and drink milk to grow strong. As they grow, pups learn to walk, play, and hunt by watching the adults. Over time, pups grow into adult wolves.



## WHAT WOLVES EAT

Wolves are **carnivores**, which means they eat meat. They hunt animals like deer and small animals. Wolves work together to find food. Eating together helps the whole pack stay healthy and strong.



## INSIDE A WOLF PACK

Wolves live in family groups called **packs**. A pack works as a team. Adults help care for the pups, find food, and keep the pack safe. Living in a pack helps wolves **survive** and feel secure.





## HOW WOLVES COMMUNICATE

Wolves communicate in many ways. They **howl** to call pack members and share where they are. They also use body language, such as tail and ear movements. Soft sounds like whines and growls help wolves talk to each other.



## KEEPING SAFE

Wolves stay safe by staying together and watching their surroundings. Their strong senses help them hear and smell danger. People stay safe by watching wolves from far away and respecting their **wild** homes.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Wolves play an important role in nature. By hunting deer and elk, they stop herds from growing too large. This gives plants time to grow and helps many other animals survive.



# QUESTION TIME!

1. (True or False) Wolves are mammals.
2. (True or False) Wolves eat plants.
3. (True or False) Baby wolves are called pups.
4. (Fact or Opinion) Wolves howl to communicate.
5. (Fact or Opinion) Wolves are the bravest animals.
6. Where do wolves live?
7. What do wolves eat?
8. What is a group of wolves called?
9. How do wolves communicate?
10. Why do wolves live in packs?



# ANSWERS



1. True. Wolves are mammals.
2. False. Wolves eat meat.
3. True. Baby wolves are called pups.
4. Fact. Wolves really do howl to communicate.
5. Opinion. "Bravest animals" is a personal idea.
6. They live in forests, mountains, grasslands, and snowy places.
7. They eat meat.
8. A group of wolves is called a pack.
9. They use howls, sounds, and body movements.
10. Living in packs helps them stay safe and find food.



## GLOSSARY

**Howl** – a long, loud cry that wolves use to communicate

**Hunt** – to search for and catch food

**Mammal** – an animal with hair or fur that feeds milk to its babies

**Pack** – a group of wolves that live and travel together

**Pup** – a baby wolf

**Roam** – to move or travel around a large area

**Survive** – to stay alive

**Wild** – living in nature, not cared for by people

**Wolves** – wild dog-like mammals that live and hunt in packs



## FUN WITH WOLVES

*Q: What do you call  
a wolf that knows  
it's a wolf?*

*A: Aware-wolf.*