

HEDGEHOG QUIZ

Test your Hedgehog IQ!



1.

How many species of hedgehog are there?

10 17 23



2.

Roughly how many West European hedgehogs are there in the UK?

1 million 70,000 3.5 million



3.

The west European hedgehog is the UK's only spiny mammal.

True False



4.

Hedgehogs shed their spines over time, with new ones growing in to replace them, just like our hair!

True False



5.

How long is the average adult hedgehog spine?

1-2cm 2-3cm 3-4cm

Answer sheet

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- 1.**
There are 17 species in five genera worldwide.



- 2.**
There are about one million West European hedgehogs living in the UK.



- 3.**
True.



- 4.**
True.



- 5.**
An adult hedgehog's body is covered in sharp spines, each of which is around 2-3cm in length.

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6.
20. Hedgehogs have five-toed, clawed feet enabling them to run, dig and climb as needed.



7.
An adult hedgehog has between 5,000 and 7,000 spines on its body.



8.
False. A hedgehog's spines are its main mode of defence against predators.



9.
True.



10.
The most important invertebrates in their diet are worms, beetles, slugs, caterpillars, earwigs and millipedes.

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6.

How many toes does a hedgehog have in total?

24 12 20



7.

How many spines does an adult hedgehog have?

1,000-3,000 5,000-7,000 Over 10,000



8.

A hedgehog's spines are NOT used to defend against predators.

True False



9.

Baby hedgehogs are called hoglets.

True False



10.

What do hedgehogs eat?

Worms Milk Bread