

Rodents

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About Rodents

- Rodents are the mammal group that includes mice & rats. Rodents are found all over the world from the desert to the Arctic.



The Brown Rat

- The brown rat is considered a pest. It lives almost everywhere in the world & can exist in huge numbers if enough food is available.



Rats food

- Rats eat everything we eat & more, which is why they can survive worldwide. The brown rat is a very good swimmer & can catch small fish underwater.



Rodent Teeth

- All rodents have 4 big front teeth. They are very sharp



Rodent groups

- Over 40% of all the mammals in the world are rodents. They come in many shapes & sizes.



Hamster: this creature comes from Western Asia & is a very popular pet.



Squirrel: it is an excellent tree climber & uses its tail for balance



Water vole: water voles live by rivers & lakes & make burrows in the banks.



Naked mole rat: it lives underground & burrows with flat feet.



Porcupines: this animal has sharp spikes that it raises when threatened.

Towns of rodents

- Some rodents live on their own, but a lot of them live in large communities, which live in burrows underground called towns.



Mice

- Mice have pointed noses & long whiskers, which help them find their way around dark corners. They eat many different types of food & can produce 36,000 droppings in a year.



Hibernation of a mouse

- Some mouse hibernates, or sleeps, for 7 months during the winter without waking up.



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