

1.13 Introducing hedgehogs

Topic: Animals

Subtopic: Mammals

Activity type/skill: Text prediction

Literacy focus: Reading

Genre: Information reports

Objective

- Recall vocabulary relating to mammals.
- Predict what might be in a text about a mammal.

What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)

What to do

1. Look at the pictures on the student worksheet and talk about hedgehogs to draw out students' existing knowledge of the subject and vocabulary.
2. Have students try to predict what might be in a text about hedgehogs.
3. Work together to produce a simple star diagram of what might be in the text. For example:
 - what they look like – small, spines, long nose
 - where they live – gardens
 - what they eat – worms, insects
 - what they are – mammals.

Extending the activity

- Use websites and books to provide additional knowledge and familiarity with the vocabulary.

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