

## 1.18 Questions about hedgehogs

**Topic:** Animals  
**Subtopic:** Mammals  
**Activity type/skill:** Question forms  
**Literacy focus:** Reading  
**Genre:** Information reports

### Objective

- Recognise and use question forms.

### What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)
- Scissors

### What to do

1. Look at the question words on the first page of the student worksheet and talk about them. Use the examples to help you explain:
  - What? asks about things or actions.
  - When? asks about times.
  - Where? asks about places.
  - How? asks about the way something is done.
  - How + adjective? asks about details – length, amount, size, number.
2. Have students fill in the correct question words to complete the questions about hedgehogs on the second page of the student worksheet. (It may be useful to listen to and read the text in Activity 1.14 again as preparation for this.)
3. When students have written the words, have them compare their work with a partner and then check it for correctness.
4. Cut up sets of questions and answers and use them in different activities:
  - Individual students: Jumble the cards and have students match the questions with the answers.
  - Pairs of students: Divide the cards between them and play Snap. Players take turns to place the cards face up and call 'snap' when the question and answer matches. The first person to correctly call 'snap' keeps the pair of cards. The winner is the one with the most cards when all questions and answers have been matched.
  - Groups of students: Give half the group a question and the other half a corresponding answer. Students then have to find their partner with the matching question or answer.

### Extending the activity

- Have students ask and answer questions about elephants (using the text in Activity 1.15 for reference) or any other animal they have studied.

## Activity eighteen



**What?      When?      Where?      How?      How many?**  
**How much?      How long?      How big?**



**What are they?**

They are mammals.

**Where do they live?**

They live in places where there are trees and grass.

**When do they look for food?**

They look for food at night.

**How big are they?**

They are 15 to 35 centimetres long.

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<b>What</b> are they?	They are hedgehogs.
<b>Where</b> do they live?	They live in places where there are trees and grass.
<b>When</b> do they look for food?	They look for food at night.
<b>How big</b> are they?	They are 15 to 35 centimetres long.
_____ are hedgehogs?	They are small animals.
_____ do they look like?	They are grey and covered with spines.
_____ do they look for food?	They hear and smell.
_____ do they eat?	They eat worms, slugs and birds' eggs.
_____ do they move?	They walk and run.
_____ do they sleep?	They sleep in the daytime.
_____ do they sleep in winter?	They sleep in warm nests.
_____ many babies do they have?	They have four or five babies.
_____ do they do in winter?	They sleep all the time in winter.
_____ long do they live?	They live for about seven years.