

## The Fox

The fox is a member of the dog family. Foxes live in towns and in the countryside. You might see one at night looking for food in your garden. They have a reddish coat with a white belly. They also have a bushy tail, about 40 cm long.



Foxes live in a den called an earth. They eat lots of things, including worms, beetles, insects, and berries as well as small animals such as rabbits and rodents.

Baby foxes are usually born in March. The female fox gives birth to 4 or 5 cubs. They are blind and deaf at birth and need their mother's milk.

Foxes are very popular animals but they are not liked by some people and farmers find them a nuisance. Many foxes are killed by humans every year. Many more are killed by cars on the road. Most foxes only live for two to three years.



Fill in the missing words and answer the questions:

1. The fox is a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ family.
2. Foxes live in \_\_\_\_\_ and in the countryside.
3. Foxes live in a \_\_\_\_\_ called an \_\_\_\_\_.
4. What do foxes look like?
5. What do foxes eat?
6. How long do most foxes live?

