



Wolves are AWESOME!



Wolves are the largest members of the dog family. They work together in packs to help each other hunt for food and take care of the pups. Wolves play an important role in keeping ecosystems healthy and are considered a keystone species. There are two species of wolves in North America: the gray wolf (*Canis lupus*) and the red wolf (*Canis rufus*). There is a small population of gray wolves in our Blue Mountains.

Who is in your pack? Draw them next to this wolf.



Include a message you would howl together!



How much do you know about wolves?

Let's find out!

1. One wolf can eat _____ pounds of meat in one sitting.
 - A. 5
 - B. 10
 - C. 20
 - D. 50
2. Wolves can sprint up to _____ miles per hour for short distances.
 - A. 10
 - B. 38
 - C. 45
 - D. 52
3. A wolf pup's eyes are _____ when they are born and turn _____ by the time they are eight (8) months old.
 - A. Yellow, Blue
 - B. Blue, Yellow
 - C. Red, Blue
 - D. Blue, Brown
4. Wolves need to communicate with their pack across far distances. If alone, a wolf will _____ to attract the attention of the pack.
 - A. Howl
 - B. Whistle
 - C. Bark
 - D. Growl
5. Grey wolves like to eat _____.
 - A. Deer
 - B. Moose
 - C. Blueberries
 - D. Lizards
 - E. All of the above
6. Wolves live up to _____ years in the wild.
 - A. 3
 - B. 5
 - C. 10
 - D. 13

TRUE or FALSE

Grey wolves don't attack prey that stands still: Circle T or F

Saliva from a common wolf can heal wounds: T or F

Wolf packs have a dominant alpha member that controls the pack: T or F

Humans have better eyesight than wolves: T or F

True: Wolves have trouble locating prey that isn't moving and their eyes are better at tracking things that are moving.
 False: The saliva of a wolf contains antiseptic properties that help wounds heal.
 True: Wolves do not have a dominant wolf leading their pack. This is a myth that is found to be true only for wolves that are in captivity and not in the wild. Instead, they behave like families.
 True: Humans have better eyesight when it comes to color and range but not tracking movement of other animals.

Answers:
 Multiple Choice 1. C, 2. B, 3. A, 4. A, 5. E, 6. D

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