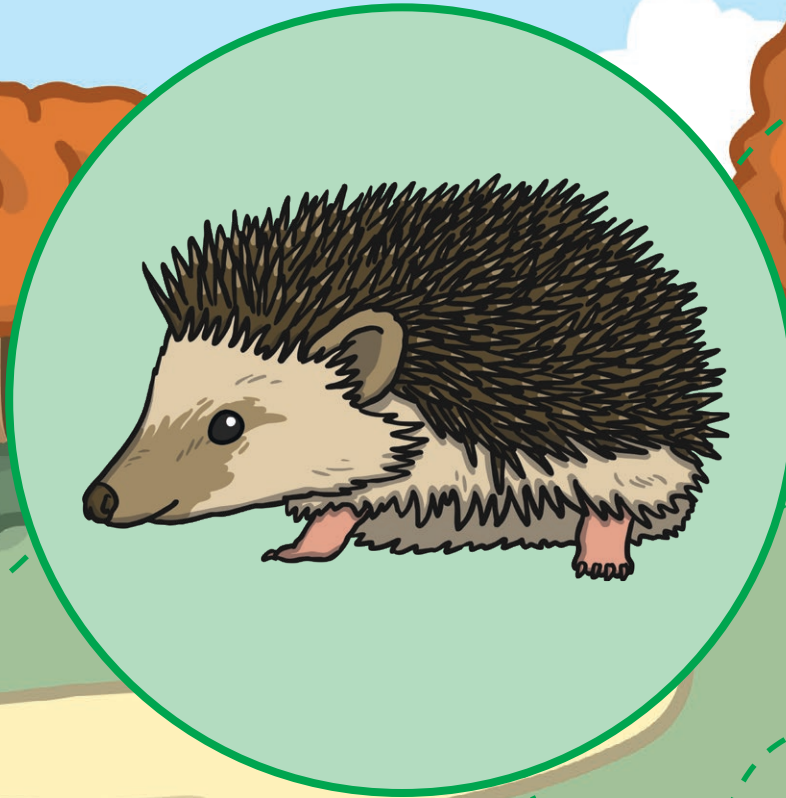


All About Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs have hard spines on their backs, sides and heads.



Hedgehogs can't see very well but they are good at hearing and smelling.

Hedgehogs are good at running, climbing and can even swim!

Size: 20-30cm

Weight: about 700g

Life-Span: up to 6 years

Food: slugs, snails, caterpillars, beetles, earthworms, birds' eggs

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Hedgehogs live in different places, including woodland, farmland, parks and gardens.



Hedgehogs sleep in the day and are active at night. This is called being nocturnal.

Hedgehogs are very busy animals. They can visit many gardens in one night.

If hedgehogs feel frightened, they will roll into a ball so that their spikes protect them.



Hedgehogs hibernate between November and March. This means they sleep during the winter to keep warm. We mustn't disturb a hibernating hedgehog!



Baby hedgehogs are called hoglets.

