

Forest animal riddles

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Cut along the dashed lines. Fold each card down the middle: riddle on the front, answer on the back.

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Riddle 16 · Who am I?

I listen for mice under the snow,
then jump head first, and down I go!

Clue 2

My coat is red and my tail is a brush.
I borrow golf balls, then run off in a rush!



Whose shadow?



Fox!

Riddle 16

Riddle 17 · Who am I?

I turn my head almost all the way round,
and I fly through the night without a sound.

Clue 2

Who, who, who? That's the question I ask.
Staying up all night is my favorite task.



Whose shadow?



Owl!

Riddle 17

Riddle 18 · Who am I?

I eat and I eat until autumn is done,
then I sleep through the winter and miss all the fun!

Clue 2

Berries and nuts, and some honey, please!
I'm big and furry, and I climb up trees.



Whose shadow?



Bear!

Riddle 18

Riddle 19 · Who am I?

Each year I grow branches, but I'm not a tree.
They fall off in winter. Oh, poor me!

Clue 2

My babies have white spots and wobbly knees.
I'm quick and I'm quiet, I hide in the trees.



Whose shadow?



Deer!

Riddle 19

Riddle 20 · Who am I?

I live with my family, we call it a pack.
We go out together, and we all come back.

Clue 2

When the moon is full and the night is bright,
I lift up my nose and I howl with all my might.



Whose shadow?



Wolf!

Riddle 20

Riddle 21 · Who am I?

I bury my snacks in a hundred spots,
and I forget where I put quite a lot.

Clue 2

Some nuts I forget grow into trees,
so thank me for the forest, please!



Whose shadow?



Squirrel!

Riddle 21

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Riddle 22 · Who am I?

When I'm scared, I don't run away.
I roll into a ball, and there I stay.

Clue 2

I have lots of spines, but I'm not a cactus, no!
I snuffle for snails wherever I go.



Whose shadow?



Hedgehog!

Riddle 22

Riddle 23 · Who am I?

Knock knock! Who's there? It's me on the tree.
I'm not at your door, so you don't need a key.

Clue 2

My tongue is so long, it wraps round my head,
and I drum on the trees until it's time for bed.



Whose shadow?



Woodpecker!

Riddle 23

Riddle 24 · Who am I?

I wear a black mask, but I'm not a thief...
well, maybe a little. I'll keep this brief.

Clue 2

My hands are so clever, I open your bin,
and my ringed tail waves as I climb right in!



Whose shadow?



Raccoon!

Riddle 24

Riddle 25 · Who am I?

I'm black with a white stripe, I'm fluffy and small,
but nobody comes near me. Nobody at all!

Clue 2

I stamp my feet first, as a warning to you.
Don't listen, and you'll smell me all week through!



Whose shadow?



Skunk!

Riddle 25

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Answers, and the clue explained

16. Fox Foxes hear mice moving under the snow and pounce on them nose first. The golf balls come from the fun facts in our book Forest Animals.

17. Owl Owls cannot move their eyes, so they turn their heads instead, up to three quarters of the way around.

18. Bear Bears eat mostly berries, nuts, roots and insects, and a mother bear has her tiny cubs in the winter den while she sleeps.

19. Deer A male deer grows new antlers every year and drops them every winter.

20. Wolf As the fun fact in our book Forest Animals says, wolves don't howl at the moon, but they howl more on bright nights.

21. Squirrel Squirrels forget many of the nuts they bury, and those nuts grow into new trees.

22. Hedgehog A hedgehog has thousands of spines. When it smells something new, it licks foam onto them, and scientists still don't know why!

23. Woodpecker When it's tucked away, a woodpecker's tongue wraps all the way around the back of its skull.

24. Raccoon Raccoons have very sensitive front paws that work almost like hands.

25. Skunk Before it sprays, a skunk stamps its feet and raises its tail to warn you.