

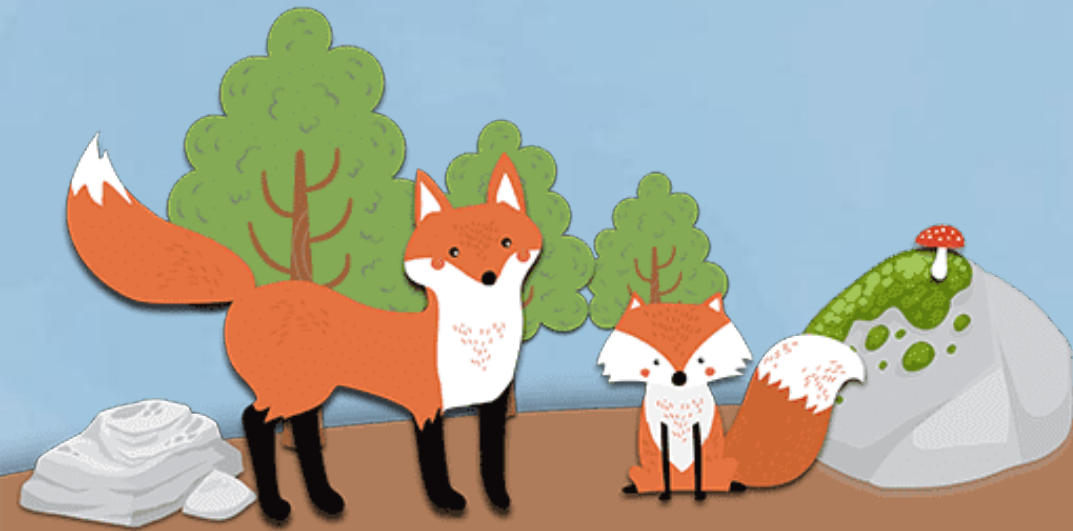
FOXES!

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A fox in the woods. It scratches around in the moss and logs as it looks for a good meal. When a fox cannot find a bird, mouse or frog to eat, it will snack on worms. Foxes like meat, but they need fruits and grasses as well.



Foxes like to find a safe, dry spot to sleep. If they are near a town, they may have a nap in a barn or some trash that has been left around. Here is a fox that found a box. Foxes that live near towns often have to find new ways to live.



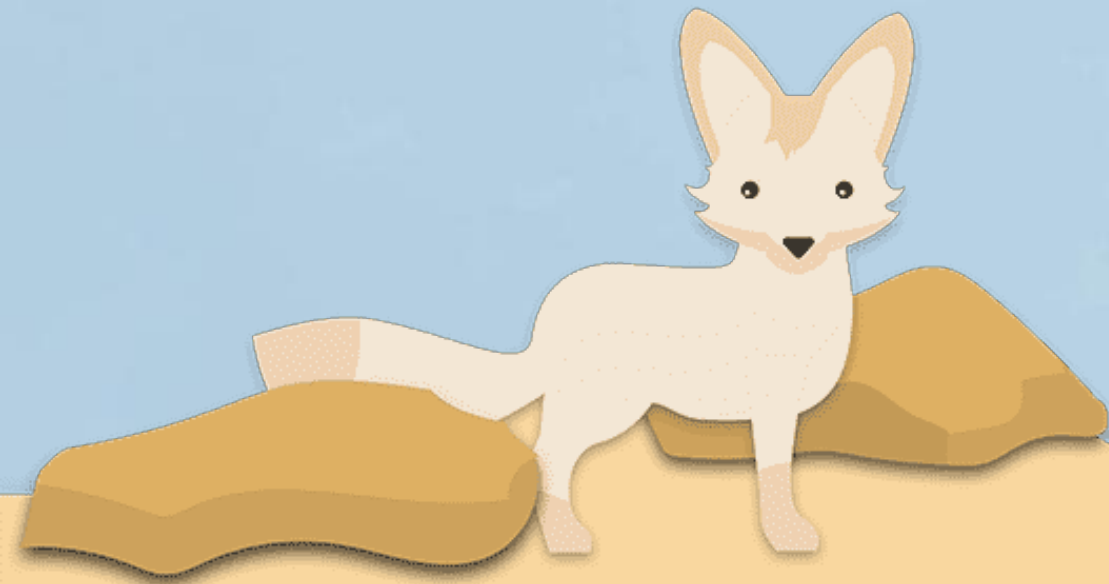
- A fox in the snow. They do not sleep through the cold months like some bears. Foxes can smell food under the snow and dig down. They grow a thick coat to keep out the cold.



There are a lot of types of foxes.
These are bat-eared foxes.
These foxes are on lookout. Most
of the time, a bat-eared fox
munches and crunches on bugs.



This is a fennec fox. These foxes live in the desert. A fennec fox is small and quick. It rushes to catch insects that jump, like crickets. It does not get stuck in the sand as it is so light.



- An arctic fox. This fox is at home in the cold. It has a white coat so that it can sneak up on prey. Arctic foxes will walk a
- bit behind polar bears and eat the scraps from the meals that these bears leave.



This is what it looks like when a fox sheds its coat. See the long fur? That is what comes off. It is too hot for that now. A fox will rub against things to make the old fur come off. It has a new coat under the old one.



Foxes and dogs are alike. They are in the same family. Wolves are in this family too. Animals in this family like to live in a pack. They like to play. They hunt and have long snouts. They can crack bones with their strong teeth.



Foxes drink like dogs as well. Have you seen how a dog laps at water with its tongue? They curl their tongue to scoop up water and send it down their throat. Foxes do the same.



Some animals are good at living near towns. Foxes are one of them. They are smart. They find ways to get food on farms. They make their dens near there so that they can come back.

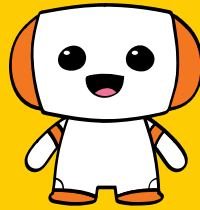


This fox has found a spot to sit in the sun. It is on an old tree stump. It is the right size. A lot of animals like to laze about in the sun. It feels good to warm up. It gives vitamin D as well.



Here is a kit. Foxes, dogs and wolves make great mums. They play with their young and give them milk. They keep them safe when they are small. Then they teach their young how to hunt and find all that they need to live well.





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