



RED SQUIRREL QUIZ

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1. Red squirrels live in coniferous forests and deciduous _____ in Europe and northern Asia. Their range extends from the UK, Ireland and western Europe to Russia, Mongolia, and northwest China.

- A. oceans
- B. woods
- C. lakes

2. Sadly numbers in the UK have fallen dramatically since grey squirrels were introduced as an ornamental species in the _____.

- A. 1770s
- B. 1870s
- C. 1970s

3. Red squirrels have a mainly vegetarian diet that includes seeds, _____ and green acorns, fungus, bark, and sapwood. They also occasionally take animal prey such as young birds and eggs.

- A. cookies
- B. bananas
- C. hazelnuts

4. Did you know? Red squirrels don't hibernate. In _____ they'll spend time collecting food for the winter when they'll be less active, but they'll still be awake.

- A. Spring
- B. Summer
- C. Autumn

5. Red squirrels usually produce 2-3 young, called _____ through February to April. Quite often they produce a second litter from May to June.

- A. kittens
- B. chickens
- C. lambs



6. Babies are born 45-48 days after mating and are looked after by their _____ . Kittens are weaned at around 10 weeks when they develop a complete set of teeth.

- A. fathers
- B. mothers
- C. siblings

7. Outside of the mating season, red squirrels tend to live alone, but in early spring, watch out for their courtship displays in the _____ .

- A. trees
- B. rivers
- C. bushes

8. Red Squirrels live in nests called dreys. These are often located in holes in trees created by _____ .

- A. pigeons
- B. woodpeckers
- C. seagulls

9. In the United Kingdom, most red squirrels have _____ / _____ coats, but other populations around the world have darker coats. In winter all red squirrels grow a darker coat and they have longer ear tufts.

- A. purple/orange
- B. blue/red
- C. red/orange

10. Numbers in the UK have dropped from an estimated _____ to 120,000, with the majority red squirrels now living in Scotland.

- A. 1.5 million
- B. 2.5 million
- C. 3.5 million



Question	Answer
Q1	B. woods
Q2	B. 1870s
Q3	C. hazelnuts
Q4	C. autumn
Q5	A. kittens
Q6	B. mothers
Q7	A. trees
Q8	B. woodpeckers
Q9	C. red/orange
Q10	C. 3.5 million
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