



## Wildlife Resources for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grades

2022

### Testing Resources:

1. Wildlife Vocabulary (Page 2)
2. Five Characteristics of Mammals (Pages 3-4)
3. Wildlife Evidence (Pages 5-14)
4. How to Use a Dichotomous Key & Skull Dichotomous Key (Pages 15-16)
5. 2022 Study Species Factsheets (Pages 17-29)
6. PA Mammals Fun Facts & Supplemental Resource Links (Page 30)
7. *PA Wildlife Journal: Birds and Mammals* by Kim Young (Pages of study species listed on Page 17)

### Focus:

- Students understand the basic features that distinguish mammals from other animals.
- Students use size, shape, toes, and claw marks to identify selected mammal tracks.
- Students can identify the scat of selected mammals.
- Students can distinguish skulls of omnivores, herbivores, and carnivores.
- Students can use a dichotomous key to identify mammal skulls.
- Students can determine the function of a mammal's pelt and explain their coloration and patterns.
- Students can identify the preferred habitat of a focus species.
- Students recognize the focus species by sight and can relate them to terms on the vocabulary list.

<b>Study Species 2022:</b>	Raccoon	Black Bear
Eastern Cottontail	Bobcat	Fisher
Beaver	Coyote	River Otter
Gray Squirrel	Red Fox	
Striped Skunk	White-tailed Deer	

<b>Vocabulary List:</b>	5. Crepuscular	10. Forest	15. Countershading
1. Vertebrate	6. Herbivore	11. Field	
2. Warm-blooded	7. Carnivore	12. Wetland	
3. Diurnal	8. Omnivore	13. Cryptic Coloration	
4. Nocturnal	9. Habitat	14. Warning Coloration	

<b>Sample Questions:</b>	2. Which animal shows a warning coloration?
1. A Beaver is an omnivore.	A. Raccoon                      B. Black Bear
True or False	C. Striped Skunk              D. Bobcat

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