

Real Rodents

Reading Comprehension

Mole Rat

Mole rats are strange animals. They live in the ground and have no fur. They look like rats, but they live like ants. They have four very sharp teeth at the front of their mouths. Two of the teeth are on top and two of the teeth are on the bottom.

Like ants, they live with other mole rats. One mole rat has babies. She is the queen. She can have up to one hundred babies in a year. The other mole rats take care of her. They bring her food, make sure that she is safe, and care for the babies.

Every mole rat has a job. The small mole rats find food and keep the tunnels clean. Bigger mole rats dig to look for roots to eat. The biggest mole rats make sure that the mole rat family is safe.

Story Questions:

- 1. What is a mole rat?
 - a. an animals that looks like a rat, but lives like an ant
 - b. an animal that looks like a rat, but lives like a cat
 - c. an animal that looks like a cat, but lives like an ant
 - d. an animal that looks like an ant, but lives like a rat
- 2. The queen is...
 - a. the mole rat that has the babies.
 - b. the mole rat that cleans out the tunnels.
 - c. the mole rat that finds food.
 - d. the mole rat that keeps the mole rat family safe.



At-Home Resources

- 3. Homophones are words that sound alike but have different meanings. Which sentence uses the right homophone?
 - a. Sum of the holes are small.
 - b. <u>Some</u> of the mole rats dig for roots.
 - c. <u>Sum</u> mole rats can be seen in the zoo.
 - d. The <u>some</u> is the answer to an addition question.

Story Writing

4. A mole rat comes to you and asks you to give him some clothes. **Write** a story using the title below.

The Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed

Math Worksheet

5. Practise dividing numbers by 1-7.

Word Problems

- 6. **Read** the word problems below and write the answers.
 - ★ Mandy Mole Rat made 27 bows. She shared them equally among 3 of her friends. How many bows did each friend get?
 - ★ Mark Mole Rat has a can filled with 40 olives. He divided the olives equally among 10 sandwiches. How many olives were on each sandwich?

Fun Stuff!

7. **Create** a <u>mouse corner bookmark</u> to help you keep your place in the latest book you are reading.