UK NATIVE SPECIES QUIZ

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These questions are all about native species found in the UK, complete the quiz to see how much you know about nature. The answers can be found on the next page.

1. What is a baby hedgehog called?

A. Piglet B. Hoglet

2. The Scottish wildcat is the rarest mammal in the UK. How many do you think are left in the wild?

A. 400 B. 4,000

3. Bees are vital to pollinate farmers' crops. Without bees, how much do you think it would cost farmers' every year to pollinate their own crops?

A. £18,000 B. £1.8 billion

4. There are 3,000 different types of mushroom and toadstools in the UK. How many of these are deadly?

A. 40 B. 14

5. What is the only poisonous snake in the UK?

A. Grass snake B. Adder

6. How many species of insect can an oak tree support?

A. 200 B. 20

7. In the UK, what % of our native species have been lost since 1970?

A. 6% B. 16%

8. What does the term 'invasive species' mean?

A. Lots of species that live together in a small area

B. A species introduced to an area where it would not naturally live

9. American mink are an invasive species in the UK which prey upon water voles. Since 1980, by how much have they reduced the water vole population?

A. 50% B. 90%

10. How many native red squirrels are there in the UK?

A. 140,000 B. 400,000

11. How many invasive grey squirrels are there in the UK?

A. 400,000 B. 2.5 million

12. Which of these two species has been successfully reintroduced in Scotland?

A. Beavers B. Wolves

13. How much of the UK is covered in woodland and forest?

A. 13% B. 44%

14. UK woodlands are home to half of all the bluebells in the world?

A. True B. False

15. Spending time in woodlands and forests is proven to boost our health and wellbeing

A. True B. False

Answers:

1. B 2. A 3. B 4. B 5. B 6. A 7. B 8. B 9. B 10. A 11. B 12. A 13. A 14. A 15. A