

# Snout wants to know how much you know!



Below are some questions that a child may ask when reading the story.

Or some questions you may want to ask them, so they learn some more about hedgehogs.

## What is a hedgehog?

*A hedgehog is a mammal. It is covered in spines on top with fur underneath.*

## What is a mammal?

*A mammal is an animal that breathes air, has a backbone, and grows hair/fur at some point during its life. A baby mammal drinks milk from its mum.*

## How many species of hedgehog are there?

*There are 17 species of hedgehog across the world. The hedgehog found in our gardens in the UK is the West European hedgehog.*

## What is a species?

*Living creatures that are so alike that they can mate and make babies together.*

## Where else in the world do West European hedgehogs live?

*Across the west part of Europe, for example – Sweden, France, Spain  
You can also find West European Hedgehogs in New Zealand. They were taken there to eat the bugs that eat the plants grown by farmers.*