

Life Among the Lemurs

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Understanding What You Read

Label each statement below True or False.

- _____ 1. The only place lemurs live in the wild is Madagascar and nearby islands.
- _____ 2. Lemurs are primarily meat eaters.
- _____ 3. Lemurs can hang by their tails from branches.
- _____ 4. Some lemur species are endangered.
- _____ 5. One of the lemur species is the smallest of all primates.



Tell Your Own Story

Imagine that you are going to the zoo. What animals will you most want to see? Write a story or a poem about one of those animals.



Vocabulary Builder

“Mane” and “main” are examples of homonyms – words that sound the same but are spelled differently and have different meanings. Listed below are some other homonyms. For each word, write a sentence that shows its meaning. Use a dictionary if you need more help.

1. it's _____
its _____
2. herd _____
heard _____
3. red _____
read _____
4. sum _____
some _____
5. shoot _____
chute _____



Figure it Out!

Madagascar covers an area of 226,658 square miles. Eighty percent of the land has been destroyed by farming and logging. How many square miles have been lost to development? _____

The island has 14 million people on it. If the population were evenly divided, how many people would live in a square mile of land? _____

A female ring-tailed lemur at the National Zoo weighs 5.1 pounds. A male red-ruffed lemur weighs 10.2 pounds. Express their weights as a ratio.



Map Moments

Look at a map of Africa. How far from the mainland is Madagascar?

What is the distance from Madagascar to the National Zoo in Washington, D.C.? _____

The lemurs at the National Zoo came from the Primate Center at Duke University in Raleigh, North Carolina. How far did the lemurs travel to their new home? _____

In relationship to the equator, where are the following places?

Madagascar _____

Washington, D.C. _____

