# Rabbits



### What is a rabbit?

• Rabbit are small mammals that live in

meadows, woods, grasslands, deserts and wetlands.

 More than half of the world's rabbits live in North America.





### Where do rabbits live?

 Rabbits live in every continent, except Antarctica.
Rabbits usually live in areas 2,000 feet (610 meters) above sea level.



 The home of a rabbit is called a burrow or rabbit hole. Burrows are underground tunnels were rabbits sleep to protect themselves from



other animals.

# Male, female and baby rabbits

A female rabbit is called a doe. A male rabbit is called a buck. A young rabbit is called a kit



(or kitten)

# How big are rabbits?

- They range in size from 8 inches
  - (20 cm) to 20 inches (50 cm) in
  - length they weigh between I pound



(0.45 kg) and 4.5 pounds (2kg)

### What do rabbits eat?

Rabbits are herbivores. This means

they eat mostly plants. Their favourite

foods are leafy greens, collard greens,

broccoli and wood bark.



#### How well can rabbits see?

- Rabbits have excellent vision, especially at night.
  - When they are born, their eyes are closed and they don't have any fur.
- Rabbits' eyes are on the sides of their head, meaning they can see almost all the way around them. This helps them to keep a close watch for predators while they're going about their business!

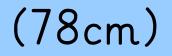


## How long are rabbits ears?

• Their ears measure around 4 inches (10 cm). The longest

rabbits ears are 31 inches long





## How fast can rabbit run?

- Rabbits can outrun a full-grown dog for short distances. Jackrabbits have been recorded running speeds of 45 miles per hour.
- Bunnies 'binky' when they're happy. You'll know a rabbit is binkying because the happy hop in the air, twist of the body, and kicking of the feet look unmistakably like pure joy.



### Bunnies

- A mother rabbit can have up to 38 babies a year!
- Rabbit babies are also called kittens.
- A group of rabbit kittens is called a litter.
- Bunnies are fed by their mother and eat twice a day.
- Bunnies start to explore the world outside their nests as early as 10 days old.





# Interesting facts!

- Rabbits have three eye lids!
- Rabbits can jump 36 inches (91cm) and higher!
- Rabbits can live between 8 12 years.
- Rabbits are very social creatures that live in groups. They live in warrens — a series of tunnels and rooms that they dig underground.
- A rabbit's teeth never stop growing! Instead, they're gradually worn down as the rabbit chews on grasses, wildflowers and vegetables — meaning they never get too long.







