

# Autumn Animals

## Fact Cards - (A5)

These fact cards can be used as part of a display or as a stimulus for discussion, writing and drawing.

# Fox



**Length:**

**70cm**

**Average Lifespan:**

**3 years**

**Food:** Rabbits, frogs, rodents, birds, worms.

**Fact:**  
A fox's home is called an 'earth'.

# Squirrel



**Length:**

Body – 30 cm

Tail – 25 cm

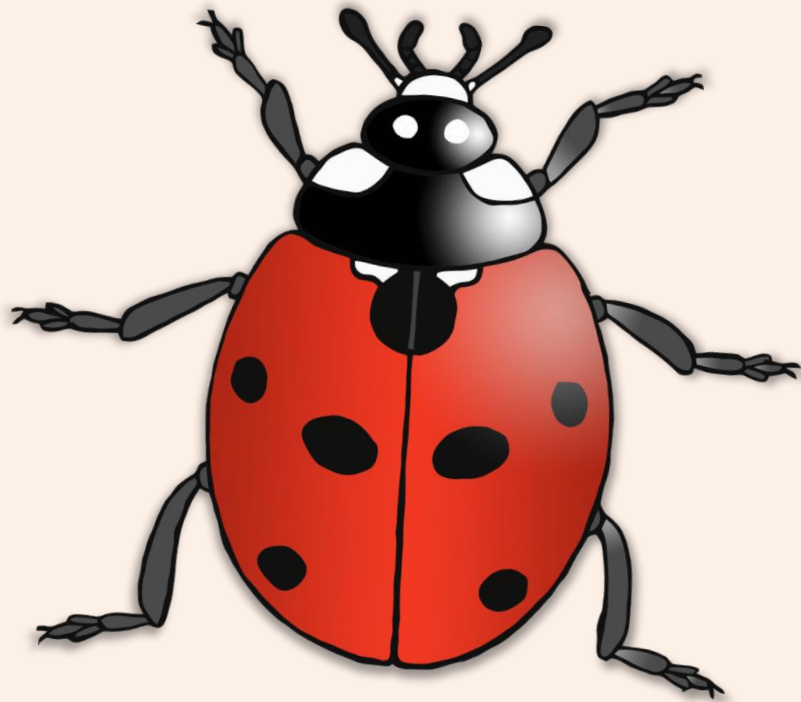
**Average Lifespan:**

**3 years**

**Food:**  
Acorns, bulbs, nuts, and roots.

**Fact:**  
A squirrel's home is called a 'drey'.

# Ladybird



**Length:**

1 cm

**Average Lifespan:**

1 year

**Food:**

Aphids and other small insects.

**Fact:**

One ladybird can eat up to 5,000 insects in its lifetime!

# Badger



**Length:**

90cm

**Average Lifespan:**

14 years

**Food:**

Earthworms, frogs, birds, eggs, insects, berries.

**Fact:**

UK's largest land carnivore.

# Deer



**Size:**  
Up to 140cm at  
the shoulder.

**Average Lifespan:**  
**16 years**

**Food:**  
Grass, leaves,  
shoots.

**Fact:**  
UK's largest land  
mammal.

# Owl



**Length:**  
**35 cm**

**Average Lifespan:**  
**4 years**

**Food:**  
Mice, voles,  
shrews.

**Fact:**  
Owl ears are at uneven  
heights on the side of  
their heads

# Dormouse



**Length:**

**9–16 cm**

**Average Lifespan:**

**5 years**

**Food:** Flowers, pollen, fruits, insects and nuts.

**Fact:** Dormice live in trees but hibernate at ground level.

# Long-Eared Bat



**Length:**

**8 cm**

**Average Lifespan:**

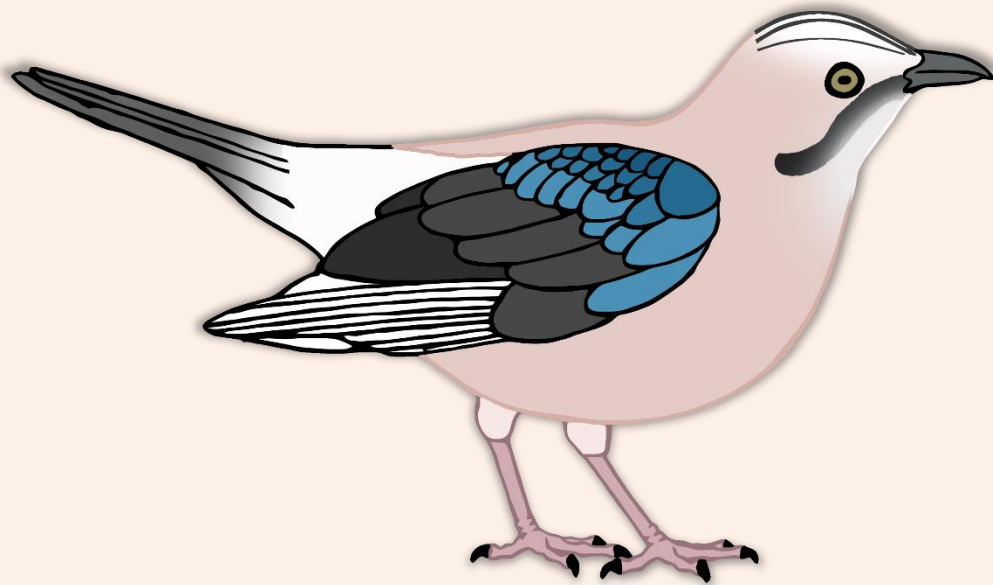
**5 years**

**Food:** Moths, earwigs, flies, beetles.

**Fact:** Nocturnal. They hunt at night.



# Jay



**Length:**

**34 cm**

**Average Lifespan:**

**4 years**

**Food:**

Insects, earthworms, mice, eggs and young birds, seeds, grain and fruit.

**Fact:**

They bury acorns in autumn for later use.

# Hedgehog



**Length:**

**Up to 35cm**

**Average Lifespan:**

**2-3 years**

**Food:**

Worms, beetles, slugs, caterpillars, earwigs.

**Fact:**

5000-7000 spines on their backs.