

Conservation

Get Outdoors!

Wintertime is a great time for a nature scavenger hunt! Ask Dad or Mom to create a list of items that can be found outside in the area around your house or in a park. Then it's your job to find one of each item on the list and collect it. Once you complete your hunt, take some time to study about the things you've collected.

for Kids!

Word Search: Oklahoma's Furbearers

Hunting Tip

Many hunting seasons begin to wrap up in January and February, but there are still plenty of opportunities. Archery deer, elk and turkey seasons close Jan. 15. Duck season is open through Jan. 30 in Zones 1 and 2. Pheasant and squirrel hunting will close Jan. 31. Light geese and dark geese (except white-fronted) may be hunted through Feb. 13. Quail season continues through Feb. 15. And furbearer seasons will close Feb. 28. Rabbits are fair game all through January and February.

Fishing Tip

When the fishing action cools down in the winter, why not spend some time organizing your tackle box? Empty out everything and sort things that are similar into various groups. If baits or lures are dirty, clean them up. Maybe some need to be touched up with paint. Then decide on how to arrange everything in your tackle box. Put the most used items where they will be the easiest to access. Now you're ready for some fishing fun!

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Find and circle these names of furbearing animals in Oklahoma:

Badger

Beaver

Bobcat

Coyote

Mink

Muskrat

Nutria

Opossum

Raccoon

Red Fox

Striped Skunk

Weasel

Some COOL FACTS about the Coyote:

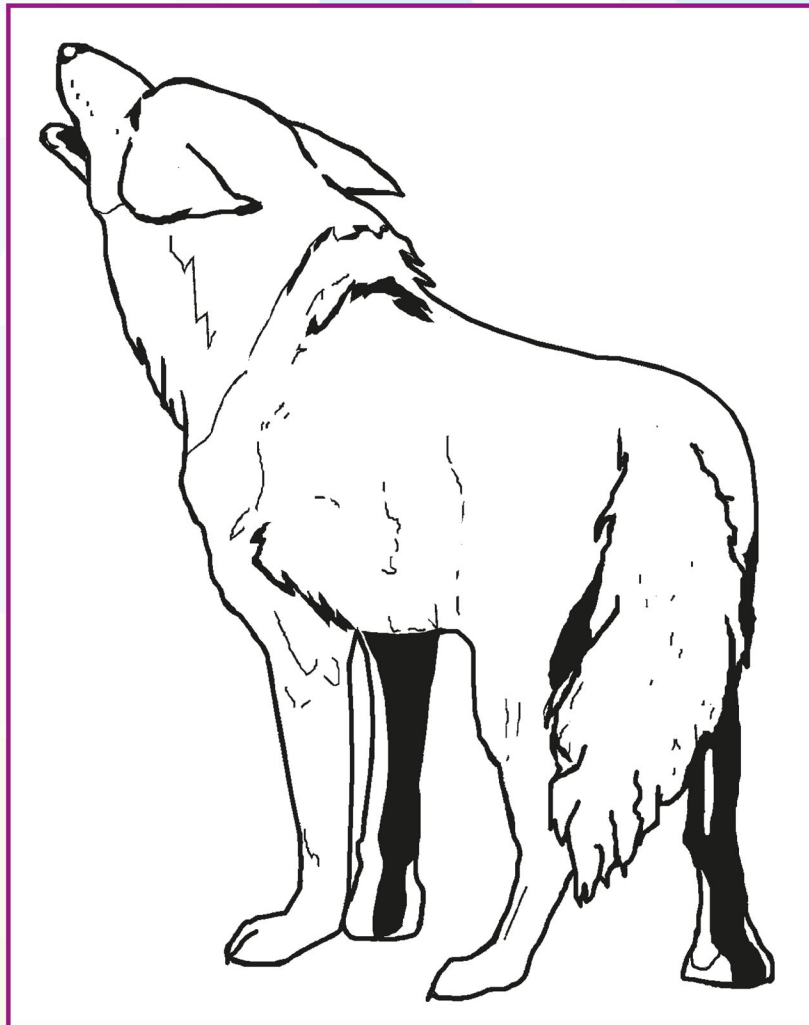
- They run up to 40 mph when chasing prey, which is faster than a roadrunner!
- They have among the widest ranges of vocalization of all American mammals; they growl, bark, wail, huff, yelp, squeal, and howl.
- They live about 14 years in the wild.
- Their coats vary in color from gray to brown to red.
- A group of coyotes is called a pack.



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- They run with their tails held down; dogs run with tails up normally.
- They are digitigrades, meaning they walk on their toes.
- They eat rabbits, rodents, frogs, deer, antelopes, lizards, birds, plants, and carcasses.
- In suburban areas, they prefer hunting at night and might attack smaller pets.
- In the wild, they are active in the day and sleep at night.
- They have 42 teeth.
- They are territorial and mark their area with urine.
- They are monogamous animals, meaning they mate for life.

Color a Critter: Coyote



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