

Common Animals and Their Homes

Chapter 4: Animals Around Us · Topic 1

Key Concept

A bird lives in a nest, usually built high in a tree using twigs and leaves. A dog often lives in a kennel or with its human family at home. A fish lives in water, like a pond, river, or aquarium.

Wild animals like lions and tigers often live in dens or caves in forests, while some animals, like ants and rabbits, dig burrows underground for shelter.

An animal's home usually matches what it needs to survive - fish need water to breathe through their gills, so they must live in water, while birds build nests high up to keep their eggs and babies safe from other animals.

Learning about animal homes helps us understand how animals are suited to their environments and why we should protect these natural homes, called habitats.

Quick Revision Notes

- A bird lives in a nest.
- A fish lives in water.
- Wild animals like lions live in dens or caves.
- Some animals, like rabbits, live in burrows underground.
- An animal's home matches its needs for survival.
- Fish need water to breathe through their gills.
- Birds build nests high up to keep eggs safe.
- An animal's home is called its habitat.

Practice Questions

- 1 Match five animals to their correct homes.
- 2 Draw a bird's nest and a fish in water.
- 3 Name one animal that lives underground.
- 4 Discuss why an animal's home matters for its survival.
- 5 Find a picture of an animal and describe its habitat.
- 6 Explain why we should protect animal habitats.