

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL ANIMALS

Lesson Plan

Markhors by the Numbers

Lesson Plan for *Markhors*

Grade 3

Objective

To help students practice using a book's sections and features to find key information about markhors.

Things Needed

- *Markhors* book
- Markhors by the Numbers worksheet (attached)
- Pencils

Before the Activity

Print one copy of the Markhors by the Numbers worksheet for each student. Then divide students into groups of three or four.

Activity

Give each group of students a copy of the *Markhors* book and give each student a copy of the Markhors by the Numbers worksheet. Have students read through the book in their groups. As they read, students should find the numbers that fill in the blanks on the worksheet.

Evaluation

Collect the worksheets at the end of class. Use the attached answer key to give each student 1 point for each correct answer, for up to 12 points total.

Standards

This lesson plan may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational texts, grade 3 (RI 3.5, 3.10).



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Markhors by the Numbers

1. A markhor's body is up to _____ long.
2. Males weigh approximately _____.
3. Females weigh up to _____.
4. A male's horns can grow up to _____ long.
5. A female's horns are usually _____ long.
6. Markhors eat for _____ hour(s) every day.
7. A herd of markhors often has _____ members.
8. A markhor's habitat is _____
high up.
9. Female markhors have _____ kid(s) at a time.
10. Young markhors rely on their mother for milk until they are
_____ old.
11. Markhors live up to _____ years in the wild.
12. Markhors live in _____ countries.



Markhors by the Numbers Answer Key

1. A markhor's body is up to **6 feet (1.8 m)** long.
2. Males weigh approximately **175–240 pounds (80–110 kg)**.
3. Females weigh up to **110 pounds (50 kg)**.
4. A male's horns can grow up to **5.25 feet (1.6 m)** long.
5. A female's horns are usually **9 inches (23 cm)** long.
6. Markhors eat for **12–14** hour(s) every day.
7. A herd of markhors often has **8 or 9** members.
8. A markhor's habitat is **2,000–11,800 feet (600–3,600 m)** high up.
9. Female markhors have **1 or 2** kid(s) at a time.
10. Young markhors rely on their mother for milk until they are **6 months** old.
11. Markhors live up to **13** years in the wild.
12. Markhors live in **5** countries.

