

These questions can be given to the children as an independent task or alternatively, you may want to use them for discussion.

Q1. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

How heavy is a harvest mouse?

A1. About 4 grams, or the same weight as a 20p.

Q2. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

What do they use their tails for?

A2. Like an extra limb (leg or arm) so they can climb and then use their front feet to get food.

Q3. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

How big are the nests they make?

A3. About the size of a tennis ball.

Q4. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

Tick the animals that a harvest mouse is hunted by;

- A4.**
- owls
 - cats
 - weasels
 - dogs

Q5. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

Harvest mice can eat grasshoppers. True or false? Circle the correct answer.

A5. True False

Q6. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

Give two reasons why it's hard to count harvest mice.

- A6.**
1. They are small.
 2. They are well hidden.

Q7. Retrieve information from a text to answer questions.

What South American rodent is the harvest mouse related to?

A7. Capybara

Q8. Be introduced to non-fiction texts that are structured in different ways.

How does the layout make the text more interesting?

A8. An example of an answer;

I think it looks interesting because it's bright and colourful. The photographs make me want to read the information.

Any answer relating to what they think about the layout would be correct.

