

Owl Detectives

10 questions · Ages 9+ · Circle the right answer!



Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

1 Most young Barn Owls survive their first year.

True

False

2 What makes winter hard for Barn Owls?

A Rain and snow

B Warm sun

C Short grass

D Bright moonlight

3 What was the 1995 to 1997 UK Barn Owl survey called?

A Owl Census 2000

B The Nightwatch Survey

C Operation Owlet

D Project Barn Owl

4 Captive Barn Owls can live longer than wild ones.

True

False

5 How long do most wild Barn Owls live?

A Forever

B 100 years

C Only a few years

D 50 years

6 What do fledged owlets do in the weeks after leaving the nest?

A Migrate

B Stay near and learn to hunt

C Join a flock

D Sleep constantly

7 Which charity collates the annual State of the UK Barn Owl Population report?

A The Barn Owl Trust

B The RSPB

C The Woodland Trust

D The Wildlife Trusts

8 Barn Owls in the wild often live to 30.

True

False

9 What is the biggest danger for young dispersing owls?

A Cats in trees

B Blue skies

C Roads

D Bad singing

10 Some wild Barn Owls have lived beyond 10 years.

True

False

My score: ____ / 10



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Answer key with fun facts · Ages 9+



- 1** Most young Barn Owls survive their first year.
Answer: False
Around two-thirds do not.
- 2** What makes winter hard for Barn Owls?
Answer: A. Rain and snow
Bad weather makes hunting difficult.
- 3** What was the 1995 to 1997 UK Barn Owl survey called?
Answer: D. Project Barn Owl
It was run by the BTO and the Hawk and Owl Trust.
- 4** Captive Barn Owls can live longer than wild ones.
Answer: True
They face fewer dangers.
- 5** How long do most wild Barn Owls live?
Answer: C. Only a few years
Many die in their first year.
- 6** What do fledged owlets do in the weeks after leaving the nest?
Answer: B. Stay near and learn to hunt
Parents continue to feed them.
- 7** Which charity collates the annual State of the UK Barn Owl Population report?
Answer: A. The Barn Owl Trust
It brings together results from many local monitoring groups.
- 8** Barn Owls in the wild often live to 30.
Answer: False
Most live only a few years.
- 9** What is the biggest danger for young dispersing owls?
Answer: C. Roads
Vehicle collisions are a leading cause of death.
- 10** Some wild Barn Owls have lived beyond 10 years.
Answer: True
A few survive well past the average.