# Class 3's home learning, w/b 13th July 2020

# Reading Activity 'Skimming and Scanning'

Please choose Challenge 1, 2, 3 or 4.

Do not worry if you are not able to print your challenge. Just do your best to answer the questions by looking at the screen.

The answers are included after each challenge.

(Activities sourced from Classroom Secrets.)

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# Challenge 3 - ANSWERS

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These mammals like to hunt at night and are nocturnal. This can change, though, depending on where the fox pack lives. If they live in a place where they feel safe, a fox pack may hunt during the daytime. They are great night-time predators because their eyes are specially adapted to night vision. Foxes are omnivores and their diet can consist of small animals, such as lizards, voles, rats, mice, rabbits and hares. Sometimes foxes catch mice just to play with them, rather than eating them. When they become bored, they let the mouse go! Occasionally, they snatch chickens from the chicken coop!

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# Challenge 4

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13.	13. Foxes like to hunt at						
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14.	14. Foxes eat a variety of food. They are						
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