



## Raccoons – True or False

Raccoons are mammals (have fur, backbones, babies drink milk).

True / False

Mammals have fur, birds have feathers, fish have scales.

Raccoons live in holes underground.

True / False

Raccoons are great at digging. They use their claws to dig in the dirt for yummy insects, but they prefer to live high up in the trees.

Raccoons can swim.

True / False

Raccoons are very good swimmers. Did you ever notice that their front paws look a little like our hands?

Raccoons are nocturnal (sleep during the day).

True / False

Raccoons usually sleep during the day, however if they can get a free meal by raiding trashcans at the park, they will be happy to get up early!

Raccoons eat both plants and meat.

True / False

Animals that eat both plants and meat are called omnivores. Are you an omnivore?

Raccoon babies are called pups.

True / False

Baby raccoons are called kits. They are born in the spring with their eyes closed and with just a little bit of light brown fuzz on their bodies.

Raccoons have no enemies (predators).

True / False

Wolves, coyotes, great horned owls, and panthers are some of the predators that will eat raccoons in Florida.

Raccoons are friendly and safe to pet.

True / False

While raccoons are cute and furry, don't let that fool you. They are wild animals and will bite and scratch when frightened.

Raccoons eat dog food and cat food.

True / False

Raccoons will gladly eat dog or cat food from your pet's dishes. To keep your pets safe and healthy, do not feed them outside

Raccoons are the Florida state mammal.

True / False

The Florida state marine (ocean) mammal is the manatee and the terrestrial (land) mammal is the Florida panther.