

Binturong Fun Quiz – Solutions

Q 1. Where can you find the Binturong in its natural habitat?

A 1. You find the Binturong in the forests of Southern Asia.

Q 2. Which animals does the Binturong look like?

A 2. The Binturong looks like a big black cat and also like a small black bushy-tailed bear.

Q 3. Which part of its body that's bushy and long does the Binturong use to help it while climbing trees?

A 3. The Binturong uses its tail that's bushy and long to help it while climbing trees.

Q 4. Which other parts of its body does the Binturong also use while climbing trees?

A 4. The Binturong also uses its four paws and sharp and pointed claws while climbing trees.

Q 5. What is the colour and nature of the Binturong's fur?

A 5. The Binturong's fur is black in colour and it is long and shaggy.

Q 6. When does the Binturong hunt?

A 6. The Binturong hunts after dusk.

Q 7. What does the Binturong eat?

A 7. The Binturong eats little animals, fruit and the eggs of birds.

Q 8. How does the Binturong's fruit-eating help the forest?

A 8. The Binturong's fruit-eating helps the forest because it spreads the seeds as it goes and so it helps to plant many new trees, across the forest floor.

Q 9. How does the Binturong's black fur help it when it's hunting?

A 9. The Binturong hunts at night when it is dark. Its black fur helps it to hide in the darkness.

Q 10. Can the Binturong be kept as a pet?

A 10. Yes, the Binturong can be kept as a pet, but it prefers to be free.

Fun with words – Meanings in Context

bushy = thick, like a bush

dense = thick, as when plants grow close together

dusk = the time immediately after sunset

prefer = like something better

shaggy = thick and tangled

tufts = bunches of hair

Tidbit – Helpful Hint

> A limb that is adapted for grasping is called a **prehensile** limb. The Binturong has a prehensile tail. Examples of other prehensile limbs or parts of the body of other animals are: the trunk of an Elephant, the tentacles of an Octopus, the tail of a Chameleon and many other lizards; and the tails, hands and feet of many monkeys.