



possum

There are more than 60 species of possums. They are the world's oldest surviving mammals. These animals are most famous for "playing possum." When threatened by dogs, foxes, or bobcats, possums sometimes flop onto their sides and lie on the ground with their eyes closed or staring fixedly into space. They extend their tongues and generally appear to be dead. This ploy may put a predator off its guard and allow the opossum an opportunity to make its escape.

Possoms are scavengers, and they often visit human homes or settlements to raid garbage cans, dumpsters, and other containers.

They also eat grass, nuts, and fruit. They will hunt mice, birds, insects, worms, snakes, and even chickens.

Q) What is the meaning of 'survivor'? That continues to _____?

- a) live b) eat c) drink d) none

Q) What is "playing possum"?

Q) why are Possum called scavengers?
