

Help tell the story of Scotland's red squirrel

Red squirrels are native to Scotland and there are around 120 thousand here. Red squirrels used to live all over the UK until the American grey squirrel was brought over by the Victorians. They live in homes called dreys which are made from moss, leaves and twigs and used by several squirrels. They mostly eat cones, but also eat berries and fungus. A group of squirrels is called a scurry. Females give birth to roughly 3 kittens in the spring. The average life span of a squirrel is about 4 years in the wild. Pine martens, foxes and birds of prey predate squirrels.

Fill in the blanks above using these words:

Red kittens prey native martens Scotland dreys fungus
leaves twigs cones foxes berries scurry Victorians birds
120 UK moss 4 several American



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