

Conversation I Groundhog Day

Look at the picture of a groundhog on the right. They are called groundhogs because they live in holes in the ground.



Groundhog→

←Groundhog in its hole.



What animals do groundhogs look like?

Groundhogs are rodents. Other examples of rodents are below. Write their names.



Groundhog Day is always on February 2. Do you know what happens?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

An old story says that on February 2, a groundhog comes out of its hole.

If it sees its shadow, it will be scared and go back in. Then, winter will continue for six more weeks.

If the groundhog does not see its shadow, winter will be over.



The most famous groundhog is Punxsutawney Phil, who lives in Pennsylvania.

Phil →

You can see Phil on TV on February 2nd!



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Do you have any holidays like Groundhog Day in your country? Do you have any stories about when winter will end?