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Koalas

Koalas are mammals that live in forests in Australia. It is not correct to call them koala bears because they are not bears. They do have soft thick fur and ears with long white hairs on the tips. Koalas sleep during the day and eat at night. Koalas eat leaves and bark from different trees, but eucalyptus leaves are their favorite. Because koalas eat so many eucalyptus leaves, they often smell like certain kinds of cough drops. Female koalas have a pouch where a baby koala lives. A baby koala is called a joey.

1. What is the subject of this story?

2. What causes koalas to smell like cough drops?

3. Why do Koalas eat at night?

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Home Activity Your child identified causes and effects in a nonfiction story. Look for another nonfiction story about animals. Read a section of the story together. Help your child find a cause (reason for something happening) and an effect (the result of a cause).