

SHORT ANSWER

10 points

Look at the reading on page 21 in your textbook and answer the following questions. Use short answers. USE NO MORE THAN **FOUR WORDS** in your answer.

1. Are red squirrels common in England?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the current population of red squirrels?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Where did the grey squirrel come from?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How heavy is the red squirrel?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Because grey squirrels are heavier, what can they do which helps them survive through the winter season?  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Where do grey squirrels spend most of their time?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. What qualities do grey squirrels have that help them survive in cities and towns?  
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8. Does the parapox virus kill red squirrels?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Where can the red squirrel be protected?  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
10. What do scientists want the government to spend money on instead of the red squirrel?  
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**MAIN IDEA**

**4 points**

**Circle the letter of the best main idea for each paragraph in the reading on page 21.**

**Paragraph A**

- a. There are more grey squirrels than red squirrels now in Britain.
- b. The number of red squirrels has decreased in England, mostly due to the grey squirrel.
- c. The red squirrels suffer from disease and a loss of their natural habitat.

**Paragraph B**

- a. The red squirrel is much smaller than the grey squirrel and weighs much less.
- b. Both squirrels have similarities, but the grey squirrel is bigger so it has a greater chance of survival.
- c. The two squirrels first appear to be similar, but they are actually different.

**Paragraph C**

- a. In comparison to the grey squirrel, there are many reasons why the red squirrel is having less success at survival.
- b. Both squirrels carry diseases, but it only affects the red squirrels.
- c. It is easier for the grey squirrel to survive because they can live in cities and towns where they can easily find food.

**Paragraph D**

- a. It is not clear on the best way to help the red squirrel and it is controversial.
- b. The red squirrel is on the verge of extinction.
- c. Decreasing the population of the grey squirrel will help the red squirrel to survive but it may be considered cruel.

**PRONOUN REFERENCE**

**5 points**

The pronouns below are from Reading 2 in your book. Look at the pronoun on the line indicated. Write the word/s they refer to. Use **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS** for each answers.

1. In **paragraph A**, line 5, **them** refers to \_\_\_\_\_
2. In **paragraph B**, line 17, **them** refers to \_\_\_\_\_
3. In **paragraph C**, line 12, **its** refers to \_\_\_\_\_
4. In **paragraph C**, line 16, **this** refers to \_\_\_\_\_
5. In **paragraph D**, line 12, **they** refers to \_\_\_\_\_