

Year 5 English

Fact file made by Georgia (5N) as an optional task in Year 5's study of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

Beaver fact file

All beavers need water to survive. They live in or around freshwater ponds, lakes, rivers, marshes and swamps.

Family:

Castoridae

Scientific name:

Castor

Mass:

Eurasian beaver: 11 –30 kg,
American beaver: 11 – 32 kg

Length:

Eurasian beaver: 80 – 100 cm,
American beaver: 74 – 90 cm

Lifespan:

Beavers have a lifespan of 10-15 years in the wild, and can live to 20 years in captivity.

Once a beaver is two-years-old, it leaves the family lodge.

The beaver is located all throughout North America and Canada.



A beaver's dam.



A kit on top of its mum's tail.

Beavers are among the largest living rodents in the world. They have thick fur, webbed feet and flattened, scale-covered tails. With powerful jaws and strong teeth, they fell trees in order to build homes and dams, often changing their environment in ways few other animals can.

