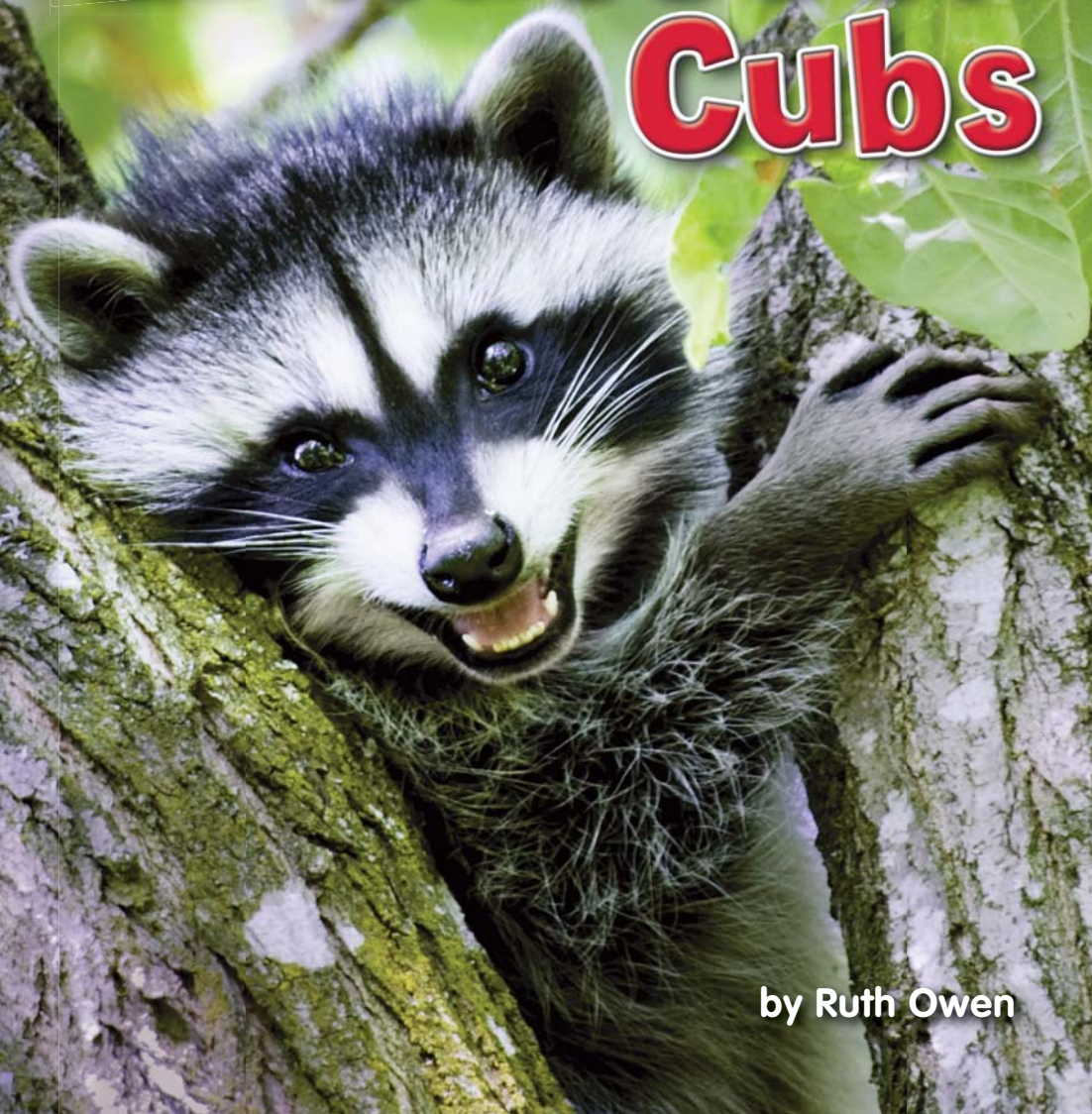




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Meet some raccoon cubs

Three baby raccoons are
playing in a tree.

The babies are called **cubs**.

Sometimes people call
them **kits**.

They live in the tree with
their mother.



Raccoon cub



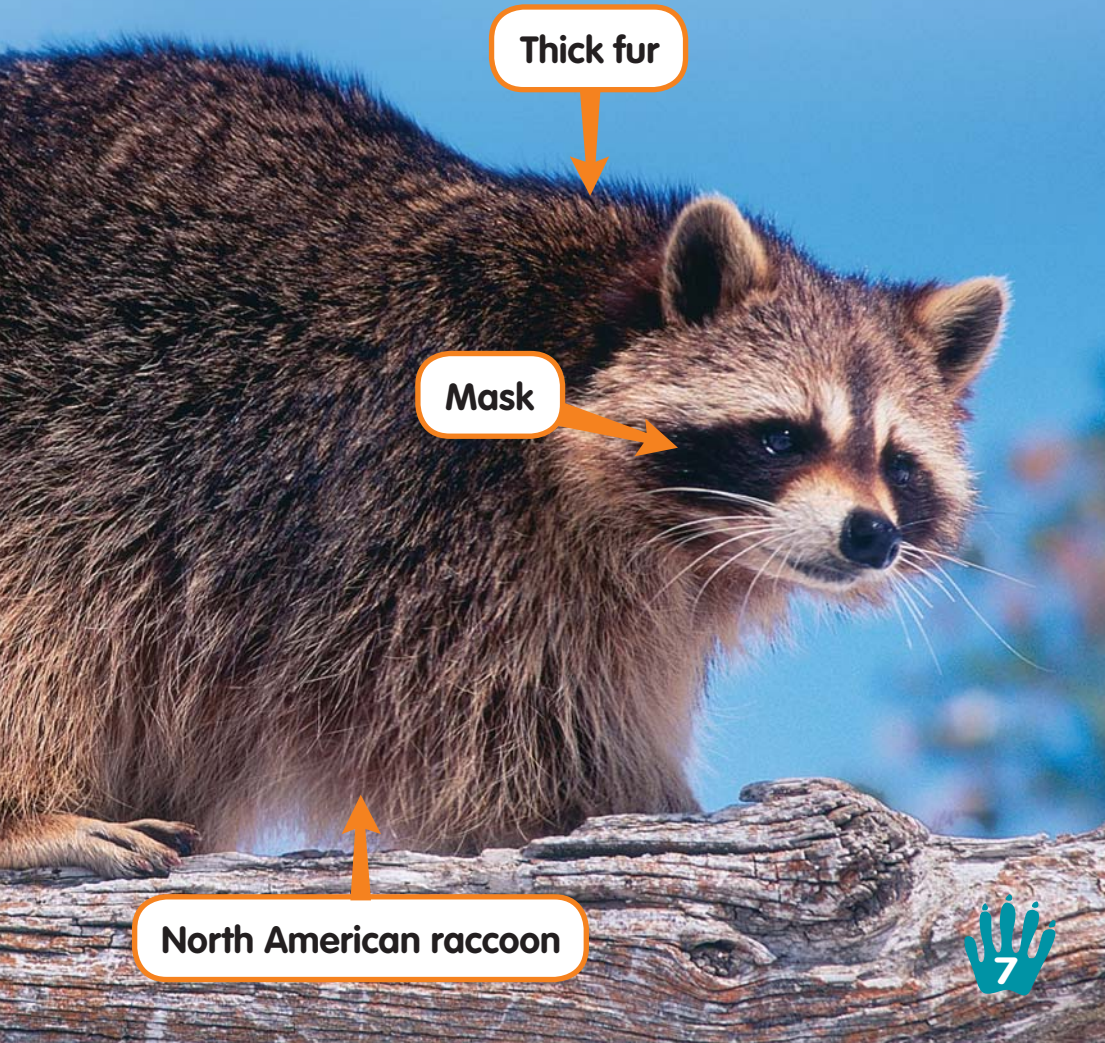
What is a raccoon?

A raccoon is an animal about the size of a small dog.

North American raccoons have thick fur.



The fur around a raccoon's eyes is black.
It looks like a mask.



Thick fur

Mask

North American raccoon



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Raccoon cubs are born in a cozy home inside a tree. In just a few weeks, however, it is time for the young raccoons to start learning how to find food and live on their own. Luckily, the cubs get a lot of help from their mother. Look inside to discover how these wild baby animals get ready to become grown-up raccoons.

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