



## Virginia Opossum Activity Sheet

Scientific Name: *Didelphis virginiana*

### VIDEO

[Amazing Adaptations featuring the Virginia Opossum](#)

Join CNC for an outdoor adventure to see an opossum habitat and learn all about North America's only native marsupial. The opossum has some unique adaptations that help it survive.

Share the video with your students, along with the activity guide, to enhance their learning experience and to keep them connected to nature.

Additional Cool Facts: <https://www.chattnaturecenter.org/visit/experience/wildlife/animal-facts/virginia-opossum/>

Use the following to record some observations and continue to learn about the Opossum

I notice:

I wonder about the opossum:

This animal or its habitat reminds me of:

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STEAM Extensions:

- Research several species of mammals in Georgia, then pick one to compare and contrast with the Virginia Opossum. *What senses do each of these animals depend on the most? Are any others you researched nocturnal? Who else is an omnivore?*
- Take photos of animals, or draw them, and use these to create a field guide to animals in the area.
- Observe squirrels outside and record data about their behavior.