



MONKEYS

Chimpanzees

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Food

Chimpanzees eat fruit, plants, leaves, bark, roots, vegetables, bird eggs, and insects. They do not eat much meat.

They are very smart. They make tools to use for eating food. A chimpanzee will put a stick into an insect colony and wait until the insects climb up the stick. Then the chimpanzee will pull it out and gobble them up. Chimpanzees use stones to crack open nuts. They also use leaves to scoop up water to drink.

These apes have learned about the plants around them. They will eat certain bitter leaves for medicine if they have a stomach ache. They know that the tough stalks of some plants have soft, juicy insides. They will suck out the sweet pith and spit out all the rough fibers.