The quills of a porcupine are an unmistakable adaptation! North American porcupines like Lander and Ross can have 30,000 quills. Contrary to popular belief, porcupines cannot shoot their quills. They are just so loosely attached that they come off as soon as they are embedded in something.

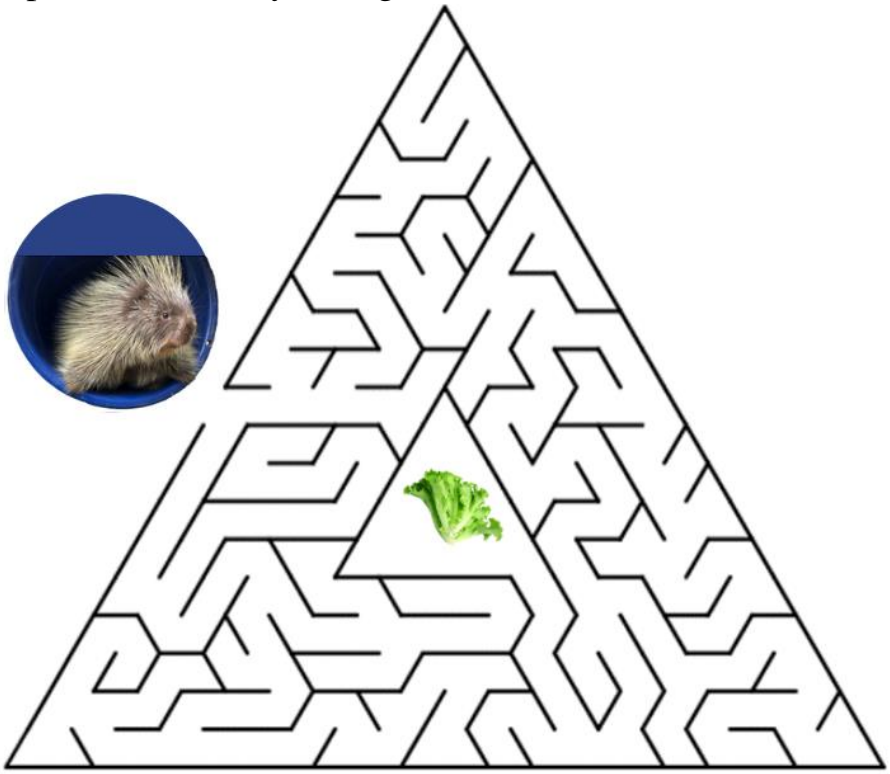


North American porcupines can be found throughout the U.S. and Canada. They are one of the largest rodents in North America. They like to live in forests and can regularly be found in trees! Not only are porcupines amazing at navigating in the treetops, but they're also stellar swimmers. Talk about an all-terrain rodent!
Porcupines produce antibiotics on their skin to help heal themselves if they fall out of trees and poke themselves on their quills! Like other rodents, porcupines are herbivores.

Did you know that Porcupine young are called porcupettes? Color in this North American porcupine mother and her porcupette!



Help Lander the porcupine find her way through the maze to her snack!



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