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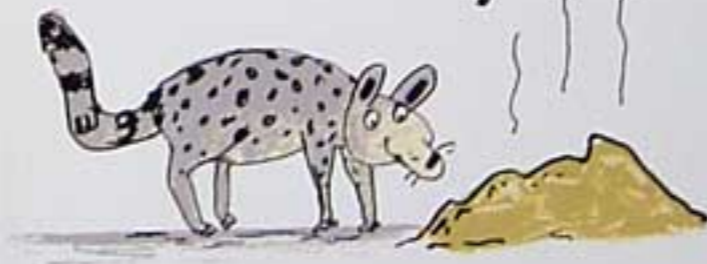
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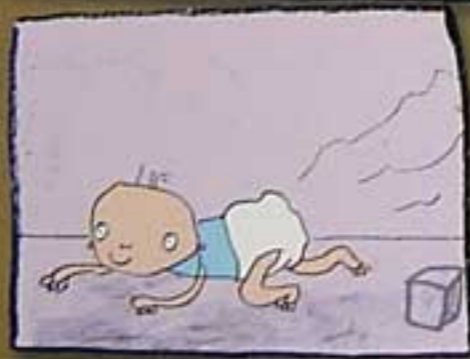
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Grown-ups are shy about it...

Horses ignore it...

Dogs like to sniff it...

And babies do it in their nappies...

Poo, big jobs, number twos. Whatever you call it, faeces (to give it one of its proper names) are everywhere. We humans may find it revolting and embarrassing, but the truth is that all animals do poos of some sort. Or, to put it scientifically, all animals defecate. And the faeces that they make come in all shapes and sizes.



A TOUR OF POO

Faeces can be so distinctive it's possible to identify an animal species just from its pool. Every animal has its own special sort of poo, so this is just a small sample of a huge variety of different poos (some were just too big or runny to fit on the page).

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