



Notes from the Field

Grown-Up Pup!

Wolf pups that were born in late April or early May are now approaching six months of age.

A lot has changed since spring. For the first few months of their lives, they were very dependent on the adults in the pack. They spent most of their time in or around the den, and later, in summer rendezvous sites. These pups are now traveling within the pack territory in a nomadic lifestyle with the adults. They have also started to observe the large prey animals in their wide, new

world. These pups still have some growing up to do, but soon enough they will be full-grown members of the pack. ■



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Vocabulary

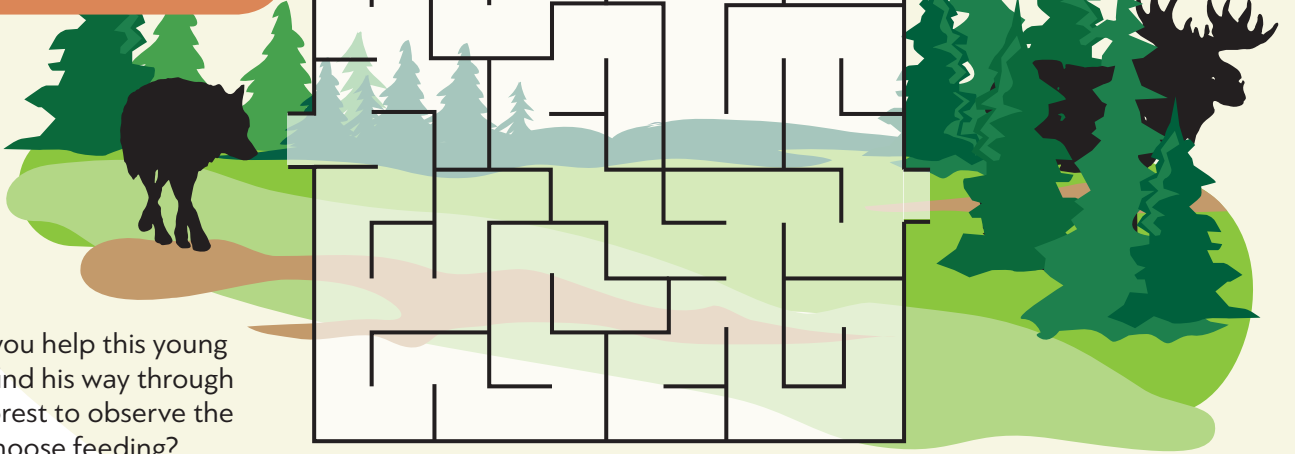
Subspecies Members of a species that live in a specific geographic area. Scientists have disagreed over the years about how many subspecies of wolves there are. Before 1995, scientists thought 24 subspecies lived in North America. In 1995, they “lumped together” those 24 into just five.

Rendezvous A place chosen especially for assembling or meeting others

Nomadic Having no home; moving from place-to-place in search of food or shelter

Observe To watch carefully

Activity



Can you help this young wolf find his way through the forest to observe the moose feeding?

Meet the Pack:

Boltz came to the International Wolf Center in 2012 and is now seven years old. He is a member of the Great Plains subspecies of the gray wolf, which means he looks like the gray wolves found in Minnesota, Northern Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Boltz weighs about 110 pounds.

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