Brown Capuchins, also called Tufted Capuchins, are a species of New World Monkey that is found in the Amazon River Basin of South America. They are omnivores, their diet is mainly fruits and insects, however they will occasionally eat lizards, birds, and bird eggs. They spend most of their time in trees, but they will often come to the ground to look for insects and collect fallen fruit.

**Big Happy Family**

Brown Capuchins live in large family groups of up to 15 individuals! They are led by an alpha male, who is the dad of all the youngsters, and many.

**Primates are not Pets**

Despite being Hollywood famous, appearing in Friends, Night at the Museum, and many other films and television shows, primates do not make good pets. They require highly specialized care and are a huge commitment. The pet trade is also one of the reasons that many primates are in decline.

The Little Rock Zoo works with the Brown Capuchin Species Survival Plan, which helps to protect this amazing species in zoos and in the wild!

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

- Discovery Channel - Intelligent Monkey: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkhe14Rou-E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkhe14Rou-E)
- San Diego Zoo: [https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/monkey](https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/monkey)
Brown Capuchins are considered to be one of the smartest monkeys, they are able to use tools and problem solve to find foods that they like to eat!

Solve the puzzles to unscramble some of a Brown Capuchin’s favorite foods!

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Answer: BANANA

**ZABRIL TNSU**

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Answer: BRAZIL NUTS

**TCENRA**

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Answer: NECTAR

**NSTECIS**

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Answer: INSECTS

**UVAGA**

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Answer: GUAVA

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Answer: CASHEW