

# **“SMILE” LIKE AN OPOSSUM!**



Virginia opossums have 50 teeth, more than any other land mammal in North America! You may have seen them in the wild looking like they are smiling at you, but this is actually one way they can defend themselves. They open their mouths as wide as they can to let predators know just how many teeth they can use to bite, if necessary. How many teeth do you have?

## ***Activity: Show us your teeth!***

- Brush your teeth so they are nice and clean!
- Practice making your biggest smile. Try to show as many teeth as you can!
- Take a picture of your smile and share it with us on Facebook!



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