10 good reasons to use the Department of Zoology’s Balfour Library!

1. **Access at evenings and weekends**
Via your University Card.

2. **Access to online library catalogues**
Search for printed and electronic resources throughout the university, and renew your books on loan from many libraries in the university, online via the *iDiscover* catalogue [http://www.idiscover.cam.ac.uk](http://www.idiscover.cam.ac.uk)

3. **Great facilities**
PCs, colour printing and photocopying, scanner, and power for laptops. Wireless network (UniOfCam) available in the library and throughout the Department.

4. **Friendly and knowledgeable staff**
A full time Senior Library Assistant to answer questions and help you use the library.

5. **All of your recommended texts in print and online**
We purchase *all* your recommended textbooks, some of which are available as e-books via *iDiscover*. Find out more at [http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/ebookscam](http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/ebookscam)

6. **Access to electronic journals and specialist subject databases**
To find your recommended reading and do literature searches for projects at [eresources@cambridge](https://www.libraries.cam.ac.uk/eresources).

7. **Lovely studying environment**
The historic main reading room with its domed ceiling offers a pleasant and quiet area to study, with 70 study places available.

8. **Informative website**
Please visit the Balfour Library website for more detailed information on library facilities and services at [https://www.zoo.cam.ac.uk/about-us/library](https://www.zoo.cam.ac.uk/about-us/library). Library guides are also available on Moodle and in printed format in the library.

9. **Amazing Special Collections**
We have 8,750 volumes dating from the 15th to the century, covering many scientific disciplines, including a copy of the 1st ed. of Charles Darwin’s *On the origin of species*! The 20th century Eltringham African Collection is of particular use for undergraduate projects in African mammals and related subjects. See the Special Collections website at: [https://www.zoo.cam.ac.uk/about-us/library/special-collections/special](https://www.zoo.cam.ac.uk/about-us/library/special-collections/special)

10. **Resources to help you work smarter**
We keep copies of past exam papers, and good examples of research reviews and projects/dissertations produced by previous Zoology and BBS students for you to consult while doing yours.

*We look forward to seeing you in the Balfour Library soon!*