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

1. **You can pop in between lectures and practicals, we’re on the 1st floor!**
   Simply present your University Card at Reception to gain access during opening hours only (08:30-17:00 Monday-Thursday, 08:30-16:30 Fridays).

2. **Access to online library catalogues**
   Search for printed and electronic resources throughout the university, and renew your books on loan from any library 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 your research, at *eresources@cambridge*
   [https://www.libraries.cam.ac.uk/eresources](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 place to study, with 62 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.

9. **Amazing Special Collections**
   We have 8,750 volumes dating from the 15th century, covering many scientific disciplines, including a copy of the 1st ed. of Charles Darwin’s *On the origin of species*!
   In addition, the 20th/21st 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](https://www.zoo.cam.ac.uk/about-us/library/special-collections)

10. **Things you need to do at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term**
    Please report to the Library Office during opening hours Monday to Friday to:

    - Register your University Card so you can borrow books
    - Make sure your DS-Print account is set up and in credit

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