

Table 2 This table shows some features that are shared amongst extant primates but are absent in tree-shrews, adapted from Martin (1990)

Feature	Primate condition	Tree-shrew condition
Hands and feet	Prehensile	Not prehensile
Brain	Lateral and calcarine sulcus present	Lateral and calcarine sulcus absent
Scrotum	Postpenial	Prepenial
Lower incisors	Two or less on each side of the lower jaw	Three on each side of the lower jaw
Upper incisors	Arranged transversely *	Arranged longitudinally
Offspring at birth	Precocial	Altricial
Gestation period	Relatively long compared to body size	Relatively short compared to body size

Note: * many archaic primates have longitudinally arranged upper incisors (e.g. *Plesiadapis tricuspidens*)