PERSUASION MAP

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Hyena vs. Badger

Introduction
I believe a badger would win in a battle against a hyena.

Main Reason 1
Badgers have stronger jaws and teeth than hyenas.

Facts or Examples
1. Badgers have enormously powerful jaws ("Badger: What is a Badger?").
2. Hyena jaws can crush bone (Brewer 54).
3. Badger canines are 3 inches long (Brewer 24).

Main Reason 2
Badgers have tougher skin than hyenas.

Facts or Examples
1. Badger skin protects against bee stings, porcupine quills and snake bites (Brewer 24).
2. Hyena skin is not specially adapted (Brewer 54).

Main Reason 3
Badgers are more aggressive than hyenas.

Facts or Examples
1. Badgers are fierce, especially when cornered ("Badger: What is a Badger?").
2. African Honey Badgers attack almost anything that comes close to them ("Badger: What is a Badger?").
3. Hyenas are scavengers and therefore less aggressive (Johnson 20).

Conclusion
In a battle between a hyena and a badger, the badger’s bigger teeth and more aggressive behavior would allow them to prevail. Badgers will hunt down the hyena and continue to attack as the less aggressive hyena tries to retreat.