

# All about Animals

This pack consists of activity sheets for individual and group work, and whiteboard pictures for class discussion.

Teacher guidance notes can be downloaded [here](#).



What do you know about animals living in and around our waterways?

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only!



# Key words

Breathe

Swimming

Escape

Growth

Predator

Reptile

Fish

Reproduction

Bird

Nutrition

Mammal

Insect

Flying

Amphibian

Shelter

Energy

Animal

Crawling

Use these key words as a reminder while you work.



Make sure you learn the correct spellings.



# Sensory words

Flapping

Rough

Creeping

Fastest

Threatening

Watch

Babies

Spray

Bright

Glistening

Cool

Wandering

Dark

Slithering

Slowly

Enjoying

Patient

Frighten

Panting

Hungry

Search

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# A to Z of animals

Write an A to Z of animals. Be sure to know if this list can include birds and insects.



A	N
B	O
C	P
D	Q
E	R
F	S
G	T
H	U
I	V
J	W
K	X
L	Y
M	Z

# A to Z of animals

Check some of your answers from this list.



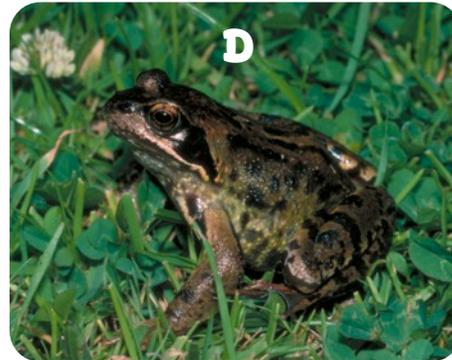
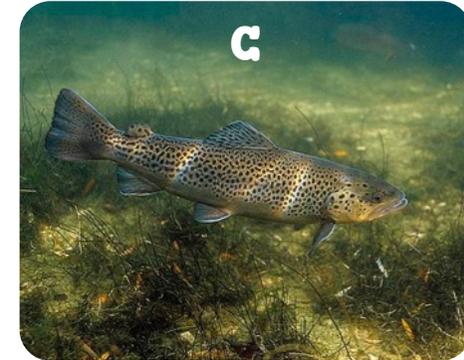
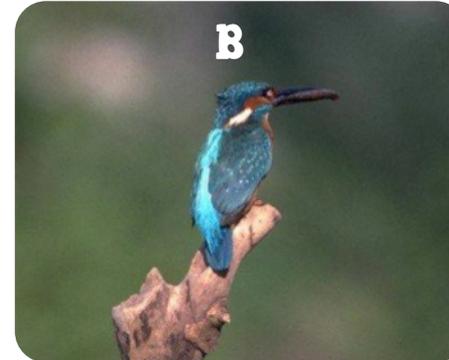
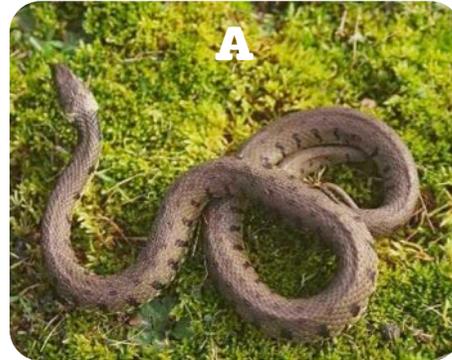
Alligator, Ant, Antelope	Newt, Nurse shark
Baboon, Barn owl, Beaver, Bee	Octopus, Ostrich, Oyster
Caterpillar, Catfish, Cow	Penguin, Perch, Polar bear
Deer, Dolphin, Donkey, Duck	Quail
Eagle, Earwig, Elephant, Emu	Rabbit, Raccoon, Reindeer, Robin
Fly, Fox, Frog	Seal, Sheep, Snail, Snake
Glow worm, Goat, Goose	Tiger, Tortoise, Turkey
Hair, Hamster, Heron, Horse	Umbrella bird
Iguana, Insect	Vampire bat
Jaguar, Jellyfish	Wallaby, Walrus, Wolf
Kangaroo, Kingfisher, Koala	X-ray fish
Ladybird, Lion, Lizard	Yak, Yorkshire Terrier
Meercat, Mole, Monkey	Zebra, Zebra shark

# How can animals be classified?

Can you name five categories of animals?

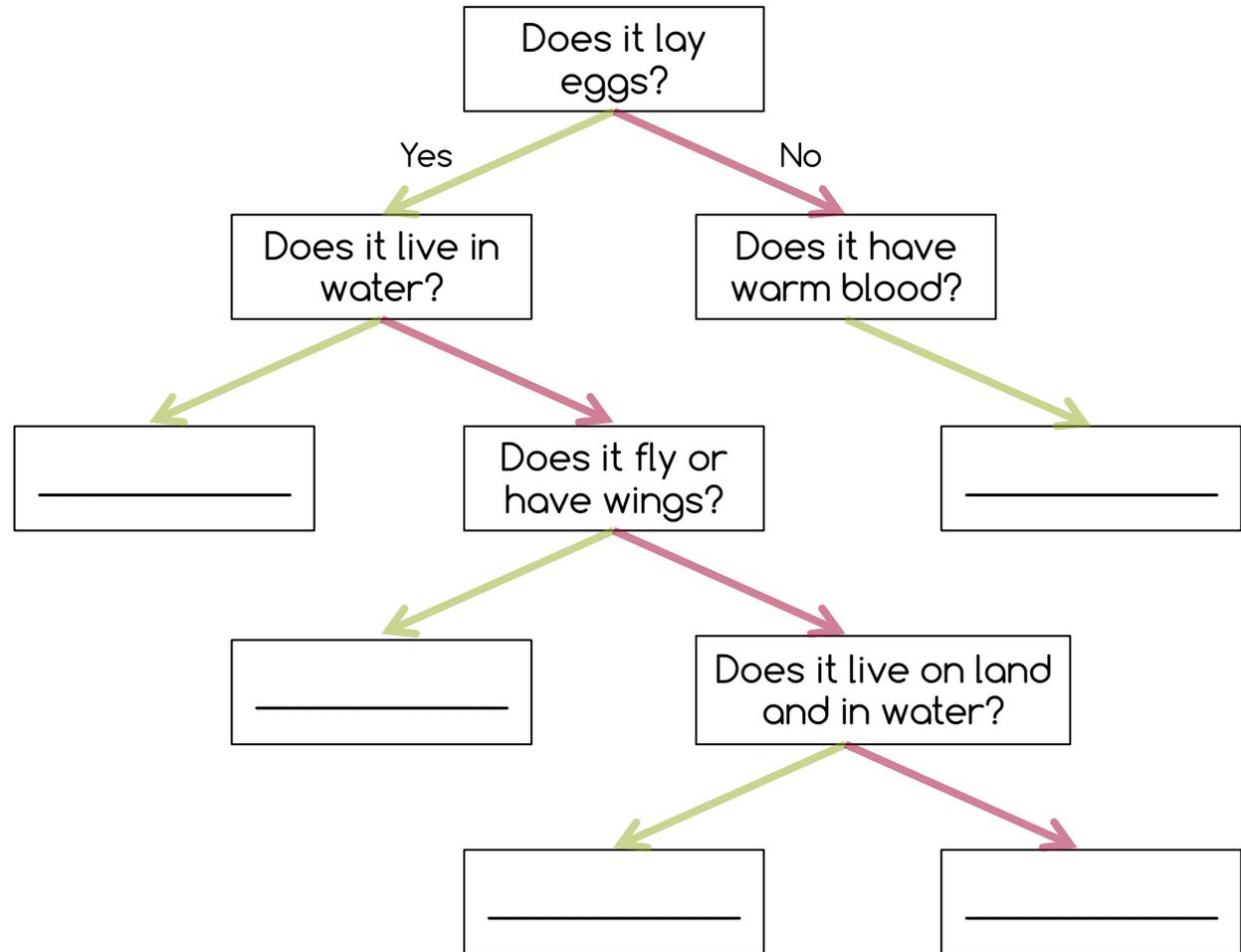


The pictures here may help you. Report your findings to the rest of the class.



# How can animals be classified?

Complete the boxes with the missing words: mammal, fish, bird, reptile or amphibian.



# Meaning match

Amphibian

Bird

Fish

Insect

Mammal

Reptile

Match the words above with their meaning.



Word	Meaning
	a cold-blooded vertebrate animal that lives in water. It typically has jaws, fins, scales, a slender body, a two-chambered heart, and gills for providing oxygen to the blood.
	a class of warm-blooded vertebrate animals that have, in the female, milk-secreting organs for feeding the young. The class includes human beings, apes, many four-legged animals, whales, dolphins, and bats.
	a two-legged, warm-blooded animal with wings, a beak, and a body covered with feathers. It lays eggs from which their young hatch, and most species can fly.

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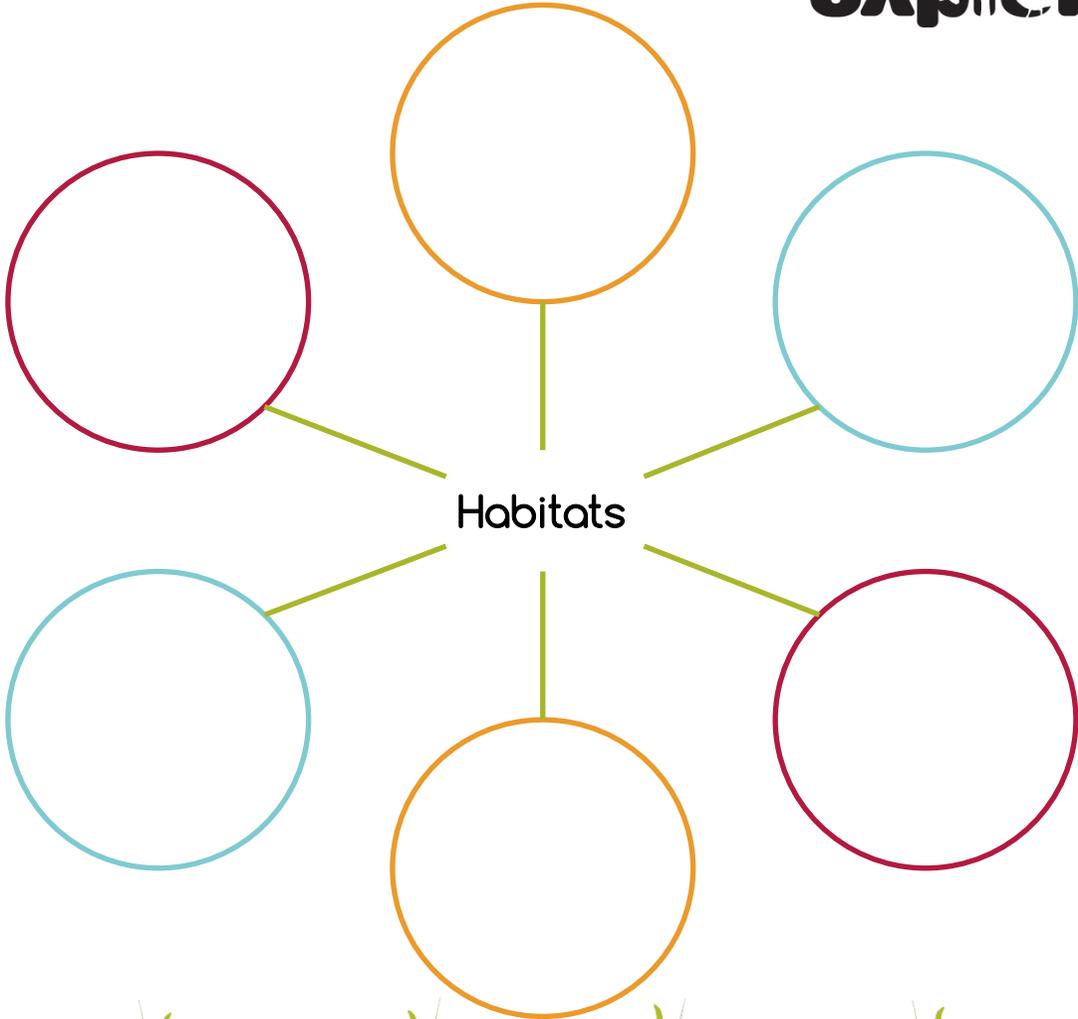
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Word	Meaning
	a cold-blooded vertebrate that spends some time on land but must breed and develop into an adult in water. Frogs, salamanders, and toads are included in this class.
	an air-breathing cold-blooded egg-laying vertebrate with an outer covering of scales or plates and a bony skeleton, e.g. the crocodile, tortoise, snake, or lizard.
	an air-breathing invertebrate animal with a body that has well-defined segments, including a head, thorax, abdomen, two antennae, three pairs of legs and, usually, two sets of wings.

# Different habitats

How many different habitats can you think of?



# A local habitat

How many different habitats can you see in this picture?



# Canal habitats

Make a list of animals  
which could live in this  
canal habitat.



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# Safe passage for bats

Canals act as 'corridors' for animals, allowing safe passage underneath busy roads.



# Fancy fishing?

Have you ever tried fishing? There are many different types of fish that live in canals and rivers.



# Brave enough for bird watching?

Would you like to have  
a go at bird watching?  
What types of birds can  
you see from your  
classroom?



# What would happen if no animals or insects lived in or by canals and rivers?

Why are animals and insects so important?



What would happen to the environment?



Discuss this with others in your class.



Always remember to stay  
**SAFE** near water - Stay Away  
From the Edge!

