Reptile Scavenger Hunt Activity

Materials: Reptile questions worksheet (pages 2-3)
18 reptile fact cards (pages 4-8)
Tape and scissors

Preparation: Print the fact cards on card stock or brightly-colored paper and cut them apart along the dotted lines.

Make copies of the reptile questions worksheet (2-sided). Each student will need his or her own copy.

Hide the 18 reptile fact cards around your classroom where students will be able to find them. You can put them on chairs, on the computer

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Activity: search

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Management tips: You may want to make this a silent activity so students don't share answers with each other.

You can have the kids work alone or with a classmate.

Don't be afraid to hide the facts in tough places. Kids think it's more fun when they have to search around a little.

Examples of good hiding spots might include:

- the back of the classroom door
- laying flat on the bookshelf
- on the side of your computer monitor
- sticking out of a book, like a bookmark

Have a plan for students who finish early. You may want to have an assignment for them to complete when they're done, or you may have them help other students find fact cards.

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Fact Card #1: What is the smallest species of snake in the word?

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Fact Card #2: What species of reptile can live to be over 150 years old?

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Fact Card #3: In what unusual way does a horned lizard protect itself?

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Fact Card #18: What does a gecko do when it sheds its skin?

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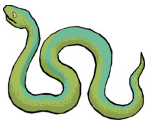
Fact Card #1

The smallest snake in the world is the Thread Snake, found in the West Indes. When it is full-grown it is about 3 inches long.



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Fact Card #2

Galapagos tortoises are some of the the oldest living animals on Earth. One tortoise is known to be over 150 years old.

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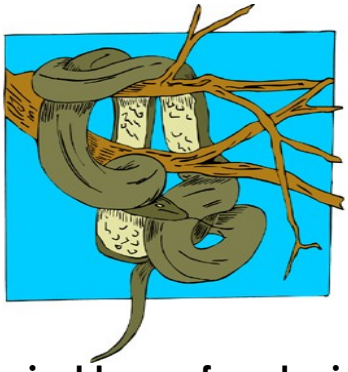
Fact Card #3

A horned lizard can squirt blood out of its eyes when it feels threatened.

Fact Card #4



The heaviest type of snake in the world is the green anaconda. It can grow to over 300 pounds!

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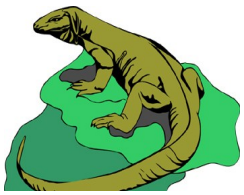
Fact Card #5

The Komodo dragon is the largest species of lizard on Earth. It has been known to eat birds, monkeys, goats, deer, and even horses!



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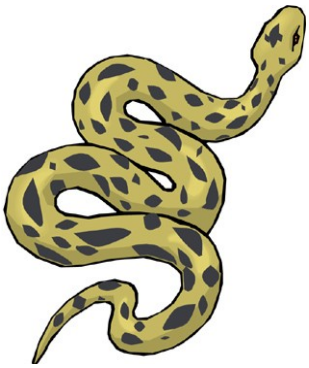
Fact Card #6

Some species of snakes can see through their eyelids.



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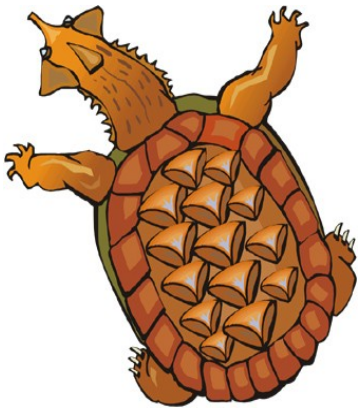
Fact Card #7

A turtle's shell has over 60 bones inside of it.

Fact Card #8



Turtles live on every continent except Antarctica.

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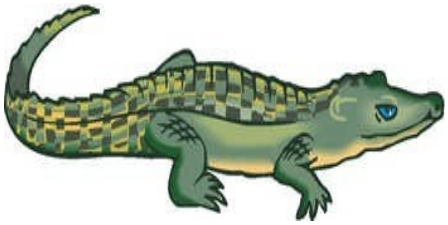
Fact Card #9



Alligators have about 80 teeth.

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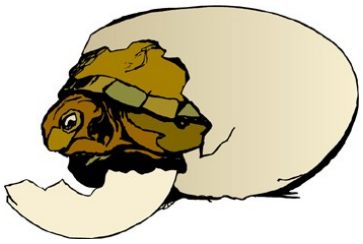
Fact Card #10



Female sea turtles lay up to 150 eggs at a time. They bury their eggs on a sandy beach and return to the ocean.

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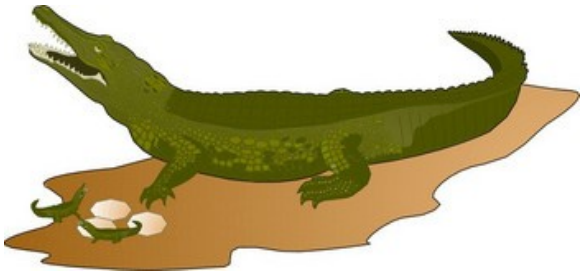
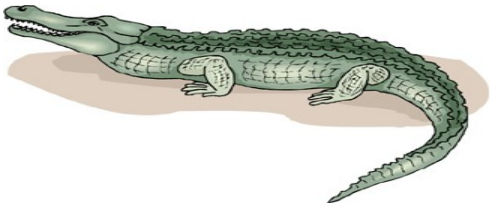


When a female alligator is ready to lay eggs, she digs a nest in the mud. She lays her eggs in the nest and guard it carefully until her babies have hatched.

Fact Card #12



Do you know the difference between an alligator and a crocodile? Alligators have wide, U-shaped snouts with a rounded end. Crocodiles have a V-shaped snout with a pointed end.

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Fact Card #13

When a lizard loses its tail, it can grow a new one. This is one way it can protect itself from predators.

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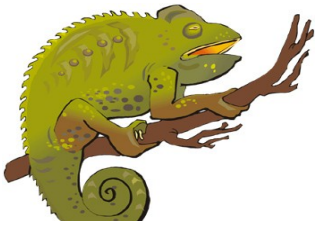
Fact Card #14

A chameleon is a lizard that can change its skin color to blend in with its surrounding.



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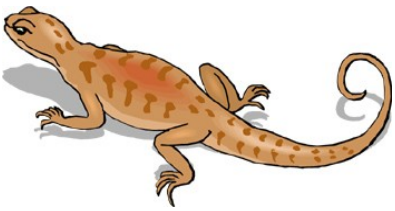
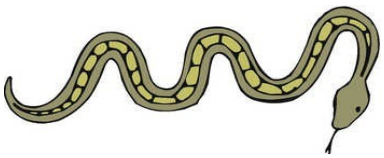
Fact Card #15

Reptiles are usually more active in warm temperatures. When the temperature cools, most reptiles slow down or become totally inactive.



Fact Card #16

Snakes use their tongues to smell their environment.



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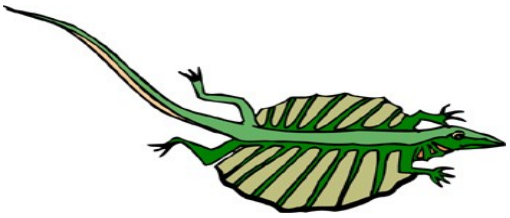
Fact Card #17



In Southeast Asia, there are actually flying lizards! They don't fly exactly like birds, though. They can flatten their bodies and glide from tr

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Fact Card #18

Most reptiles shed their old skin several times each year. They usually leave the old skin laying the ground. You'll never find a gecko's skin, though. A gecko eats its skin when it falls from its body.

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ANSWER KEY

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thread snake

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Galapagos tortoise

Fact Card #3: In what unusual way does a horned lizard protect itself?

squirts blood from its eyes

Fact Card #4: What is the heaviest species of snake in the world?

Fact Card

Fact Card #6: What is unusual about the eyelids of some snakes?

Snakes can see through them.

Fact Card #7: How many bones are in a turtle's shell?

over 60

Fact Card #8: Name all of the continents that turtles do not live on.

Antarctica

Fact Card #9: How many teeth does an alligator have?

about 80

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in the sand on a beach

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in a nest made of mud

Fact Card #12: How is a crocodile's snout different from an alligator's snout?

An alligator has a U-shaped snout. A crocodile has a V-shaped snout.

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Fact Card #15: What usually happens to reptiles when the temperature cools?

They become less active.

Fact Card #16: What do snakes use their tongues for?

smelling

Fact Card #17: Where might you find a flying lizard?

Southeast Asia

Fact Card #18: What does a gecko do when it sheds its skin?

Geckos eat their skin when they shed it.