

ANIMAL GROUPS

Have you ever wondered how animals fit into different groups? There are lots of wonderful animals on our planet and they can be sorted into five main sets. Look at the information below to discover more about mammals, reptiles, fish, amphibians and birds.

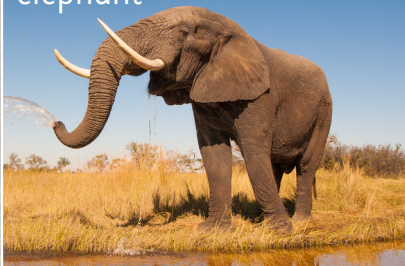
MAMMALS

jaguar



- Most mammals have fur or hair.
- They are warm-blooded.
 - Human beings are mammals.
- Almost every mammal's babies are born live and are fed with their mother's milk.

elephant



REPTILES

lizard



- This group's eggs are mostly laid on land.
- Reptiles have scales and breathe with lungs.
- They are cold-blooded. They cannot keep warm by themselves. They only live in hot places because they need heat from the Sun to warm them up.

snake



There are more than 10,000 species of reptiles on planet Earth!

BIRDS

blue tit



- Birds are warm-blooded creatures and have feathers, wings and a beak.
- They lay eggs and their babies hatch from them.



mandarin duck

FISH

clownfish



- Fish have fins instead of legs on their bodies so that they can swim.
- They have gills to breathe so that they can live in water.
- Fish are cold-blooded animals.



goldfish

AMPHIBIANS

salamander



- Amphibians live on land and in water.
- They lay their eggs in water.
- Their skin is wet and smooth and they breathe with gills and lungs.
- They are cold-blooded.



Early amphibians lived before the dinosaurs 365 million years ago!