

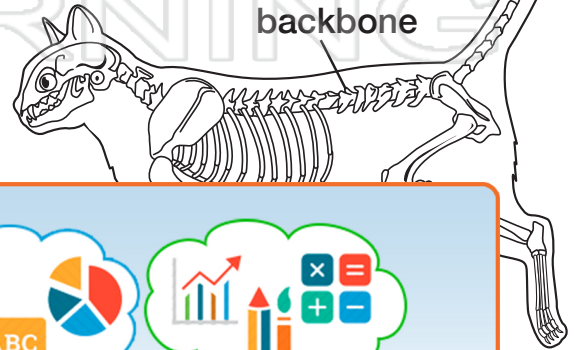


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Animals can be **classified**, or grouped together, by the things they have in common, like by how they act, where they live, or how they look. Scientists separate animals into **two main groups** called **vertebrates** and **invertebrates**.

Vertebrates are animals that have a **backbone**. There are **five main groups** of vertebrates based on specific animal traits and characteristics.

Animals with Backbones



Birds & bees can fly.



feed on plants.

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Fish breathe with gills.

Fish have scales.

They breathe with lungs.



Animals without Backbones

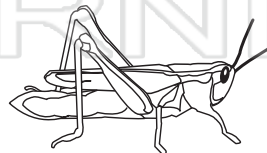
Invertebrates are animals that **do not have a backbone**. Invertebrates have liquid sacs or shells that they use as support for their bodies instead of bones.



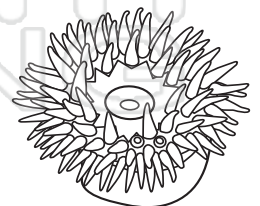
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arthropods



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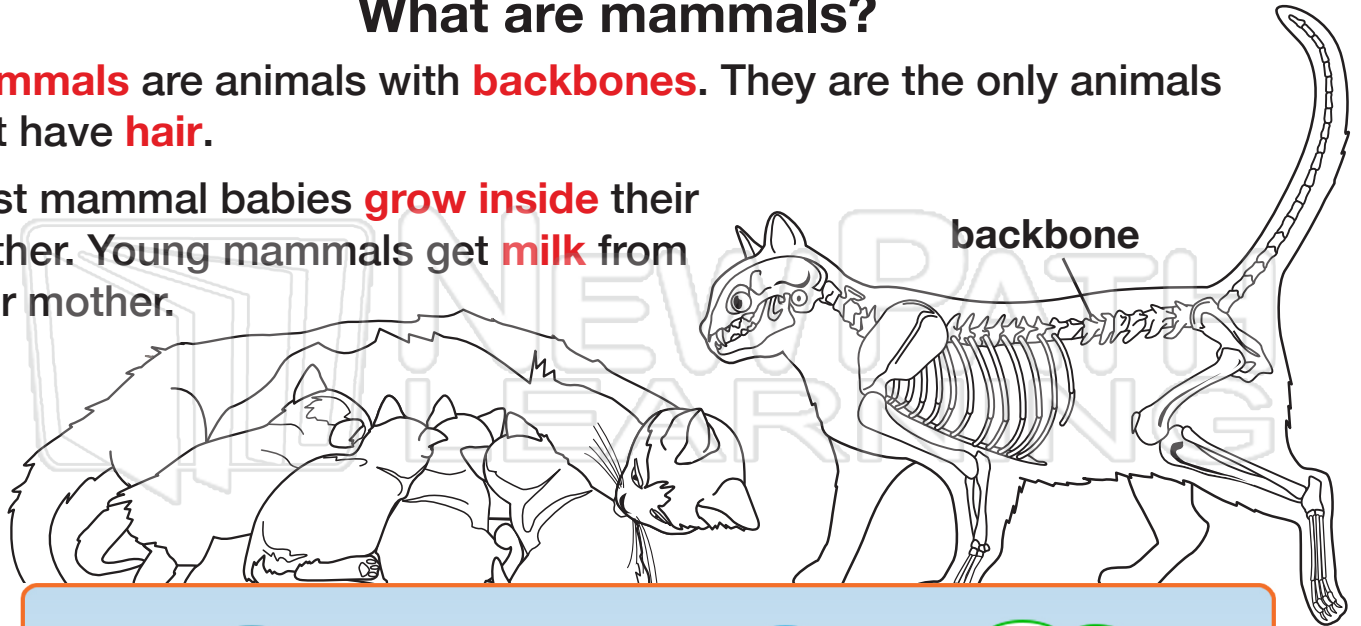


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What are mammals?

Mammals are animals with **backbones**. They are the only animals that have **hair**.

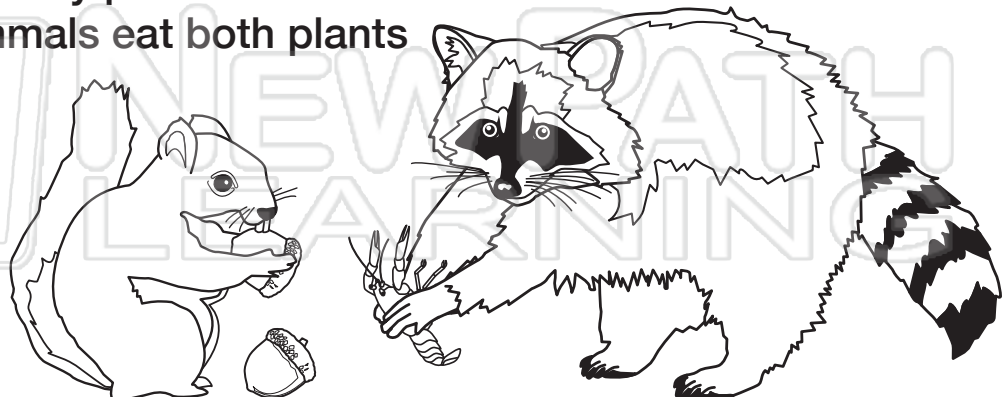
Most mammal babies **grow inside** their mother. Young mammals get **milk** from their mother.



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Some mammals eat only plants. Some eat other animals. Some mammals eat both plants and other animals.

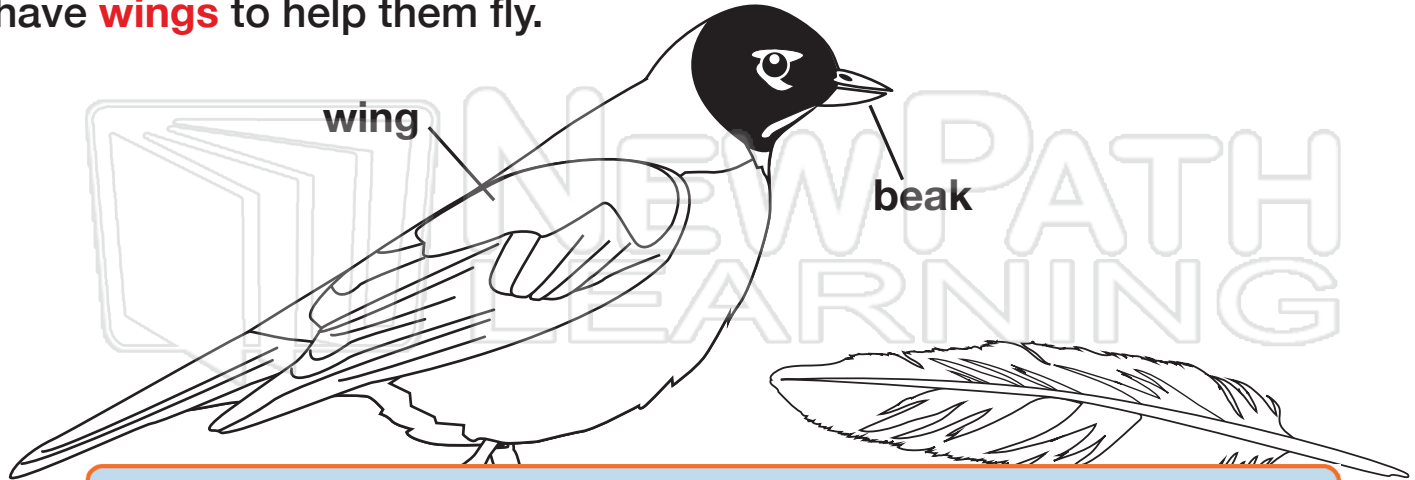




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What are birds?

Birds are animals with **backbones**. They are covered with **feathers** and have **wings** to help them fly.



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Many birds eat seeds, fruit, insects and worms.

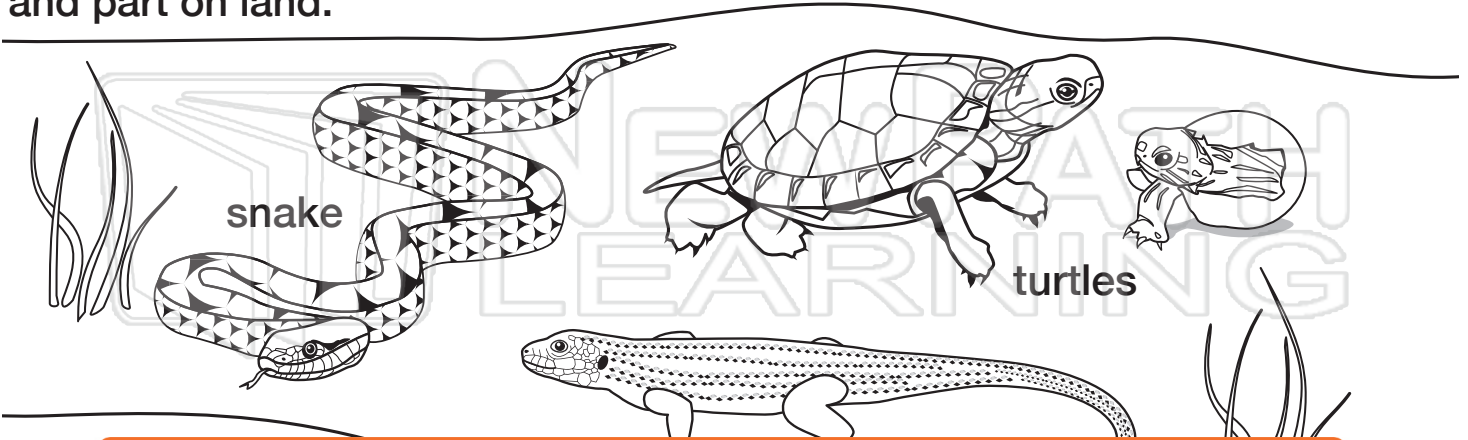


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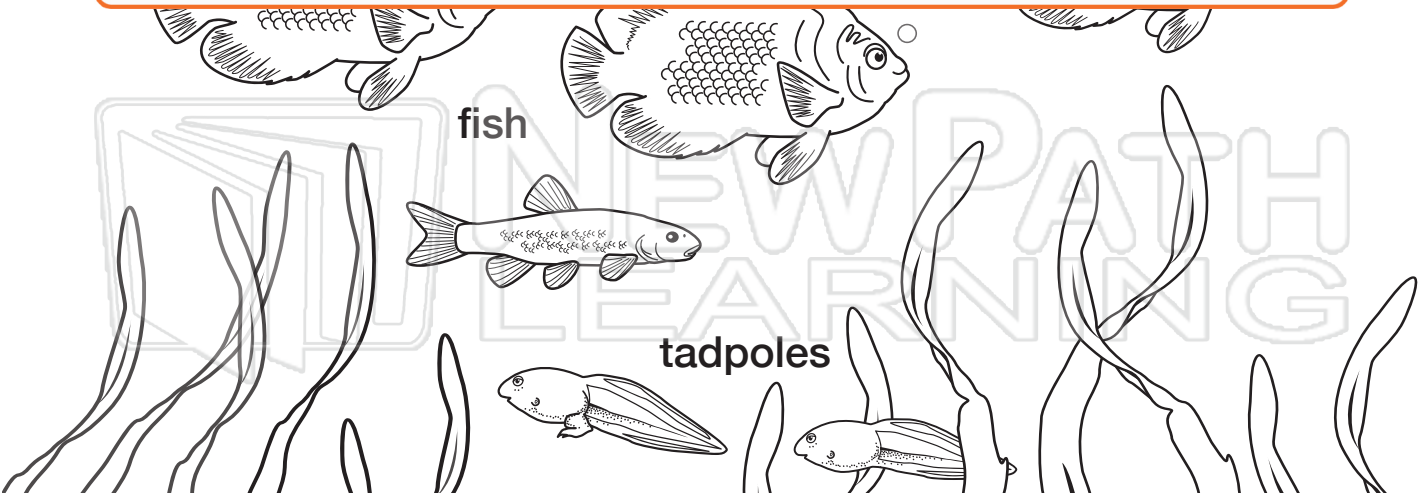
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Reptiles are born on land and usually live near water. They have **scales**.
Fish live in the water their entire life. They have **fins** that help them swim.
Amphibians are special because they spend part of their life in the water and part on land.



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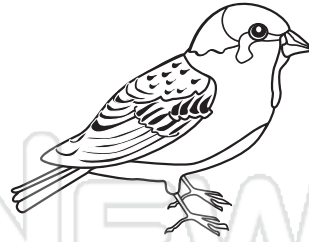
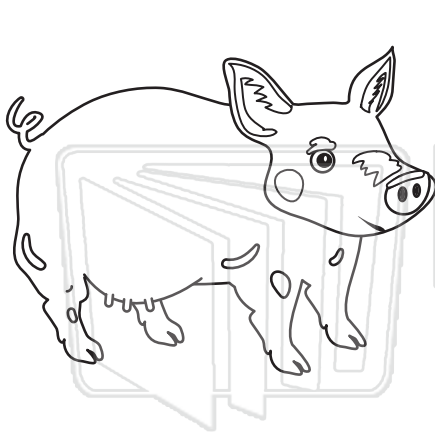


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Draw a line to match each **vertebrate** with the correct group.



mammals



amphibians



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fish



These animals are all _____ because they have _____.



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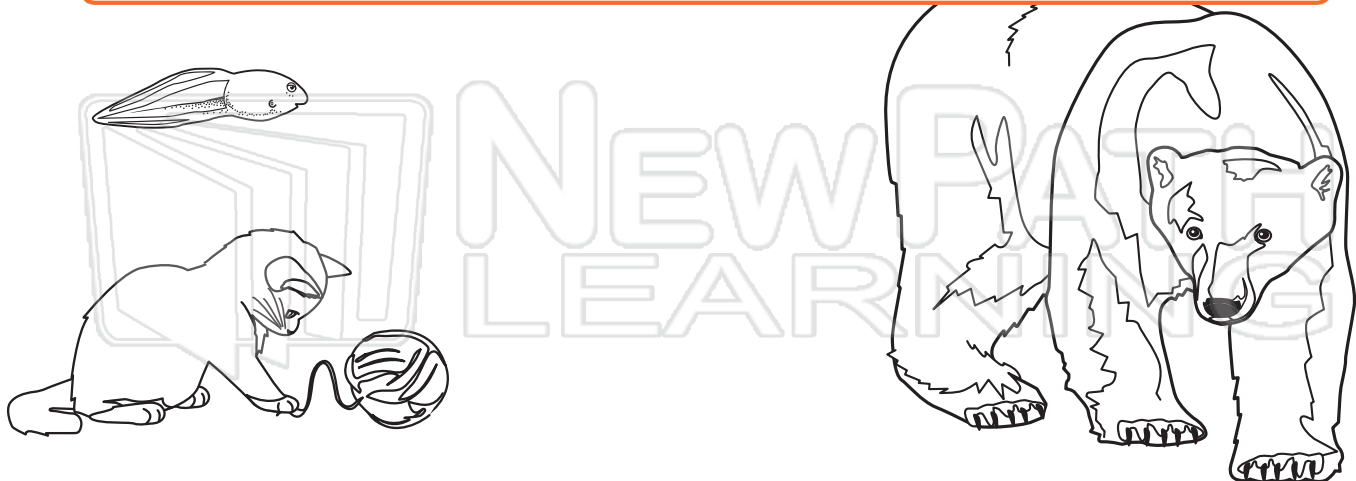
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Match each young animal to its parent. Some change a lot as they grow.



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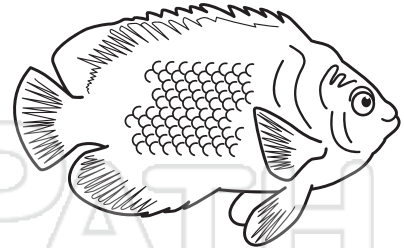
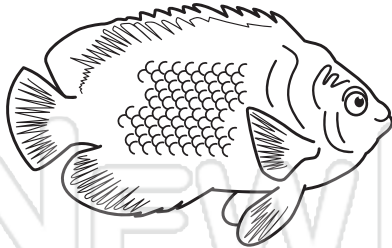
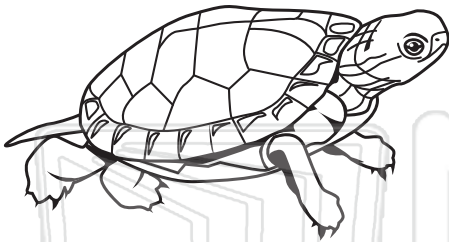
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Circle the **reptile**.



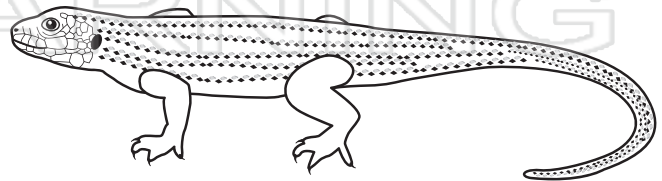
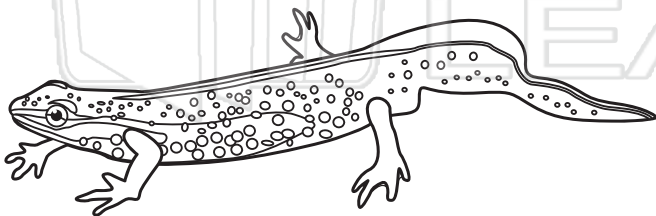
Circle the **amphibian**.



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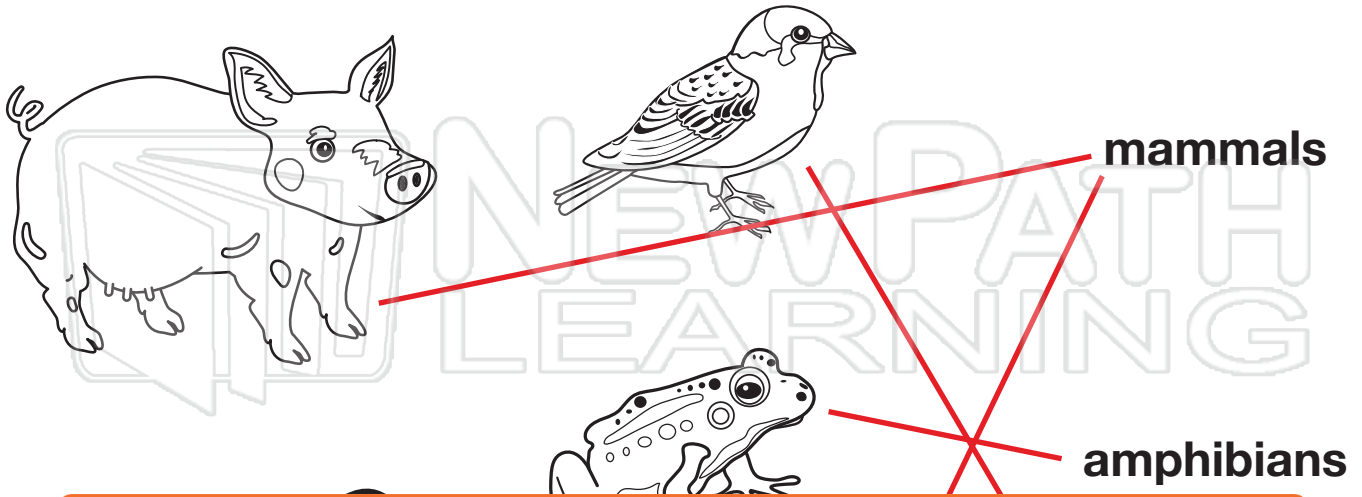
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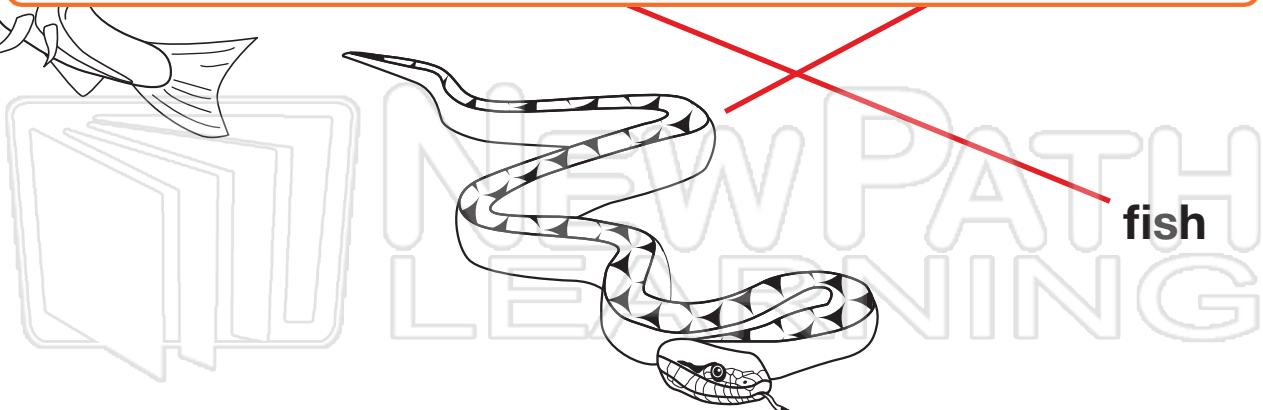
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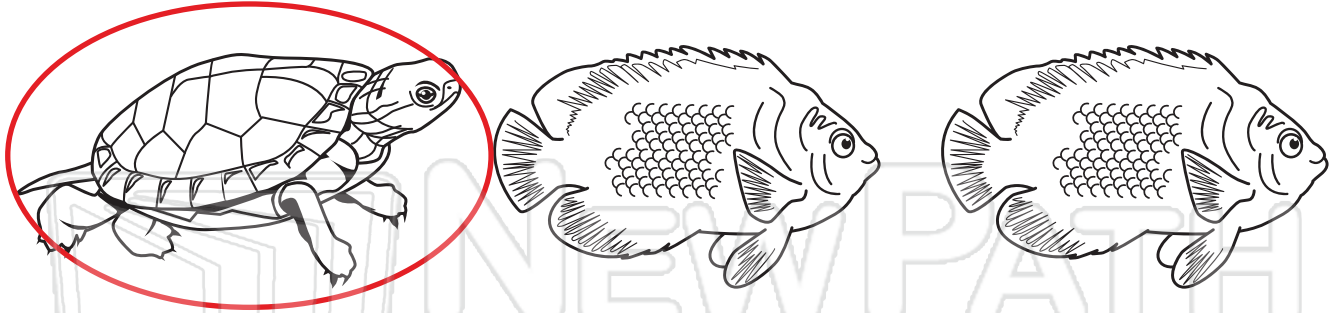
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Answer Key

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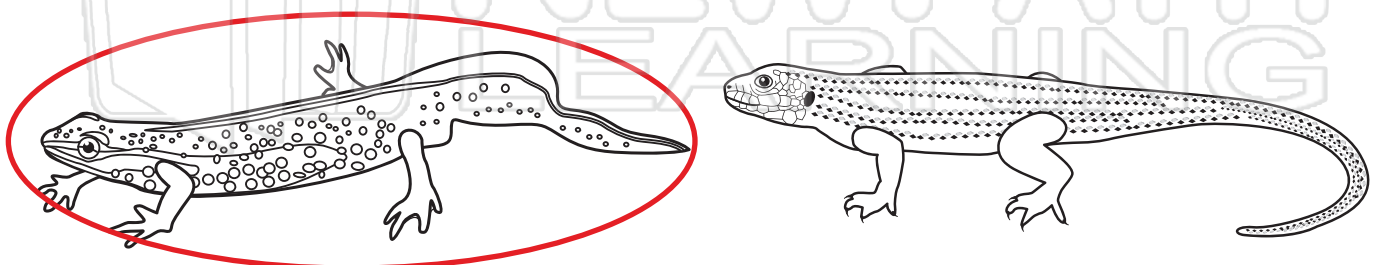


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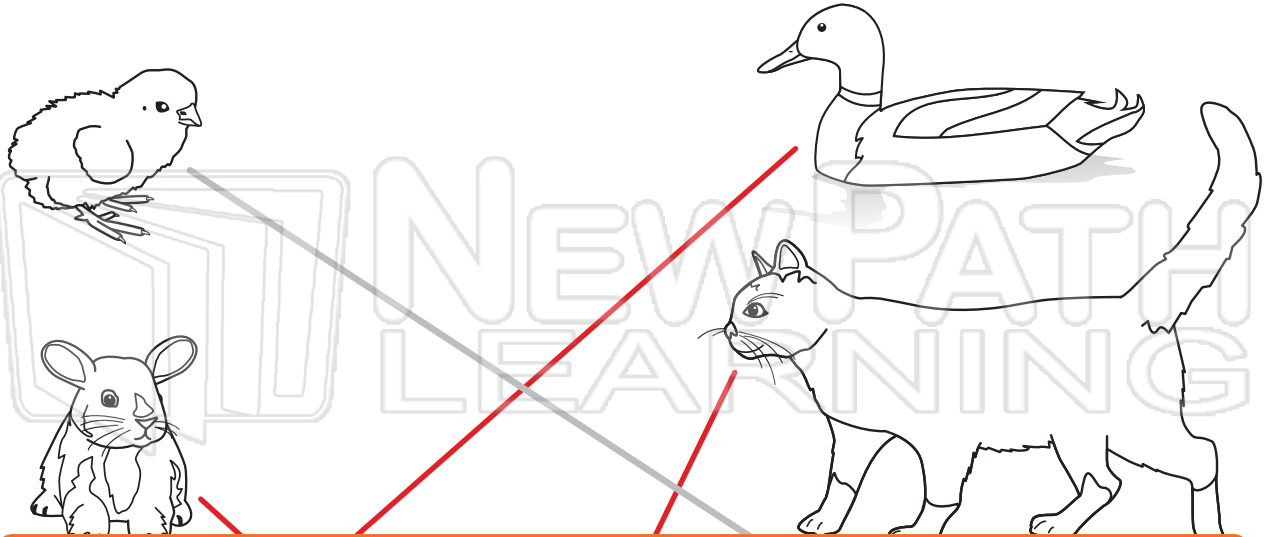


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