


# CONTEXT CLUES and COMPREHENSION for MIDDLE SCHOOL MIXED GROUPS

### Frogs

Ponds, lakes, and wet ditches are good **environments** to find frogs near water to keep their smooth skin moist. Frogs are **resilient** and tough environmental conditions, but they protect themselves by burrowing into the soil.

Some unusual things have been said about frogs. Fairytales tell of turning people into frogs and princesses kissing frogs and hoping the prince will believe that touching a frog will give you wants, but all are myths.

One thing that sounds **fictitious** but is actually true is stories of frogs living near water. It makes sense that, in cold weather, the water freezes. Sometimes the frogs freeze too. But nature created a **solution** to this problem. Frogs have a special amount of glucose in their organs that acts like anti-freeze. This substance is **essential**. Without it, their organs would freeze completely and the frogs would **perish**. Glucose keeps frogs from dying from cold temperatures. So, as the weather warms and the frogs begin to thaw, their hearts begin to beat and their lungs breathe again. Nature is amazing!



### Frogs Vocabulary Context Clues

1. <b>Environment</b> means: a. place b. idea c. wet d. far away	4. <b>Solution</b> means: a. similar b. fever c. answer d. problem
What was the context clue?	What was the context clue?
2. <b>Resilient</b> means: a. jumpy b. able to recover from something difficult c. slimy d. able to leap long distances	5. <b>Essential</b> means: a. describes something that you must have b. useful but not always needed c. poisonous d. hard to get
What was the context clue?	What was the context clue?
3. <b>Fictitious</b> means: a. true b. rude c. encouraging d. false or made-up	6. <b>Perish</b> means: a. die b. starve c. lose the ability to jump d. survive
What was the context clue?	What was the context clue?

### Frogs Comprehension Questions

- If you want to find a frog, where is a good place to look?
- How do frogs protect themselves?
- What are two unusual ways that fairytales use frogs?
- Does touching a frog give you wants?
- What can happen to frogs when the temperature is very cold?
- Other than soil, where do frogs burrow?
- How do frogs keep from dying when their bodies freeze?
- What part of the frog's body contains the "anti-freeze" substance?
- Why do frogs live near water?
- What happens as a frozen frog begins to thaw?

### Logic Questions

- Is the desert a good home for a frog? Why or why not?
- Why would a witch costume possibly include a frog?
- Is it likely that a frog would live in salt water? How do you know?
- Why do you think frogs jump in backyard pools?
- If you saw a frozen frog on the ground, would you think it was dead? Why or why not?

### Frogs Word Search

Definitions	Word Bank
1. Place or area.	Resilient
2. Must have or can not do without.	Essential
3. Not true.	Environment
4. Die.	Perish
5. Able to withstand a lot without being hurt.	Solution
6. Answer to a problem or a way to fix a problem.	Fictitious

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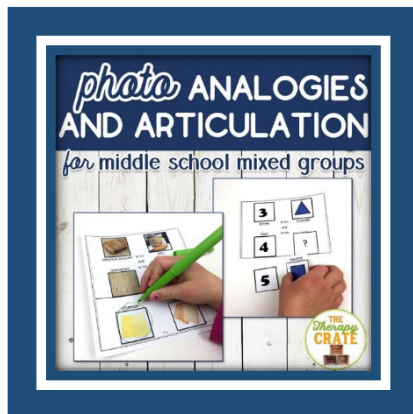
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# Product Description

Vocabulary. It's the cornerstone of middle school standards. Whether the words are content-specific or Tier 2 vocabulary, middle school students are bombarded with them.

Context clues create shortcuts to understanding and learning unknown words. Without using context clues, the reader has to either interrupt the flow of the story to look up the definition or continue reading without fully understanding the passage.

Context Clues and Comprehension for Middle School Mixed Groups is the perfect tool to teach this powerful skill. Inside, you'll find five separate but related passages, each containing:


- Six target words with corresponding context clues
  - Multiple choice questions page for vocabulary and stating context clues
  - Comprehension questions and Logic questions page
  - Word search with matching component for target vocabulary
  - Articulation list for words used in the passage (r, r blends, z, s, s blends, l, and l blends)
  - Answer keys for each activity
- Plus
- Culminating activity for comprehension and following directions related to passages.
  - Context clues chart

### Scorpions

Scorpions appear to be threatening creatures. Their eight legs, pincers and stinger make them look very scary. Even though scorpions are arachnids for a spider. They look more like small lobsters ranging from 2 1/2 inches to 8 inches long.

All 2,000 species of scorpions eat other animals, mostly insects. They use their stinger to kill their food. While these carnivores look like they would enjoy eating one another, some species possess poison strong enough to kill humans.

Scorpion habitats are on every continent. They live in woodland areas, the British Columbia, North Carolina, and even high in the Himalaya mountains. Scorpions must have soil so they can burrow, or dig. The holes they dig are where they live and hide. Some even create tunnels to travel between burrows. If you were a scorpion, where would you want to live?



### Scorpions Vocabulary

1. Threatening means:  
a. scary  
b. silly  
c. eight-legged  
d. friendly

What was the context clue?

2. Arachnid means:  
a. frightening  
b. animal group with eight legs  
c. animal group that is scary  
d. dangerous

What was the context clue?

3. Carnivore means:  
a. animal from the dinosaur age  
b. insect  
c. animal that eats other animals  
d. vegetarian

What was the context clue?

### Scorpions Comprehension Questions

1. What animal looks similar to a scorpion?  
2. If your friend says she found a scorpion the size of your thumb, how big would it be?  
3. How many species of scorpions are there?  
4. If you had a pet scorpion, what would you feed it?  
5. Why do scorpions have poison in their stingers?  
6. Why do scorpions dig tunnels?  
7. Why do scorpions need burrows?  
8. What size are scorpions?  
9. Why would someone be scared of a scorpion?  
10. Other than food and water, what would a pet scorpion need?

Logic Questions

1. Could you be stung by a scorpion while swimming in the ocean?  
2. What do scorpions do with their claws?  
3. Why would an animal create tunnels between burrows instead of just digging one?  
4. Why would a scorpion be a good animal to put in a horror movie?  
5. Is a scorpion a good pet for a young child? Why or why not?

### Scorpions Word Search

Definitions

1. Scary. U C H E F J  
2. Animal group that eats meat and has eight legs and two body sections. Z B A G U I  
3. Any animal that eats meat. A S T N E A  
4. Where something lives. L S A V H E  
5. To have or to belong to someone. P E T R O C  
6. A to dig. G N I N E T  
7. Animal home in a hole in the ground. X N E T N I

### Scorpions Articulation Word Lists

R Words	R Words	S Words	Z Words	L Words	L Blend Words
Scorpions	Rain	Pincers	Creepers	Legs	Legs
Appear	Forests	Poisonous	Look	Like	Claws
Creatures	North	Insects	Small	Little	Animals
Their	Carolina	Us	Poisonous	Arachnids	Mostly
Pincers	Flatter	Possess	Arachnids	Lobsters	Holes
Stinger	Where	Soil	Lobsters	Long	Tunnels
Very	Burrow	So	Inches	All	
Scary	Or	Also	Animals	Use	Kill
Arachnids	Were	This	Use	Kill	
Are	For	Some	These	While	
Spider	None	For	Possess	Reality	
Lobsters	Threatening	Scorpions	Poison	Woodland	
Ranging	Creatures	Stinger	Humans	Columbia	
Other	Strong	Scary	Desert	Himalaya	
Carnivores	British	Flattest	Mountains	Soil	
Reality	Create	Spider	Holes	Called	
Thirty	Travel	Small	Tunnels	Travel	
Lobster		Lobster	Burrows		
Every		Species			
Desert		Mostly			
		Strong			
		Habitats			
		Forests			

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## Types of Context Clues

### Define/Explain

The author gives the definition or other explanation of the word after it is used.

Example:

She acquired, or got, the ring from her grandmother.

### Synonym/Reword

The unknown word is paired with a synonym. The statement may also be reworded so that the word is easier to understand.

Example:

She acquired her grandmother's ring when her grandmother died. She would rather have received the ring while her grandmother was still alive.

### Inference

The author may not tell you what the unknown word means, but may give clues to help you use what you already know in order to determine the meaning of the word.

Example:

Jeremiah acquired his teaching degree from a local college after four years of study.

### Antonym/Contrast

The author uses an opposite meaning of the unknown word.

Example:

Fran acquired the diamond ring when she visited her grandmother, but Fran's sister left with nothing.

# Sample Lesson Plan

Lesson: Scorpions

Lesson Objectives: Learn how to use context clues, informational paragraph comprehension, use reasoning skills to answer questions, acquire new vocabulary.

CCSS: RL 5.1, 5.4 RI 5.4, L 5.4, 5.6 RL 6.1, 6.4 RI 6.4, L 6.4, 6.6 RL 7.1, 7.4 RI 7.1, L 7.4, 7.6 RL 8.1, 8.4 RI 8.1, L 8.4, 8.6

Materials: Context Clues and Comprehension for Middle School Mixed Groups, either in print or projected on white board.

Presentation: Context Clues

1. Introduce types of context clues and why they are important, using graphic organizer.
2. Key vocabulary is underlined in the passage. Students are to consider how the word is used and determine its meaning based on the context described in the graphic organizer. Read Scorpions informational passage as a group or individually.
3. Use printed or projected version of the Scorpions Vocabulary Context Clues page and complete individually or as a group. Discuss answers and types of context clues used.
4. Students can check their answers using the answer key if appropriate.

Comprehension

1. After reading passage, students will answer questions for comprehension and recall. Encourage students to discuss the passage and their answers.
2. Students may check their answers using the answer key.

Logic and Reasoning

1. Students will answer logic questions and discuss, in a group, their answers and how they derived them.
2. An answer key is provided and may promote discussion.

Vocabulary

1. The included word search provides students another context to learn and use target terms.
2. Students should match the definition with the vocabulary term provided.
3. Complete the word search. An answer key follows to check accuracy.

Articulation

1. Articulation words used in the informational passage are listed by target and position.
2. Depending on student needs and abilities, these words can be used in conversation to discuss the passage, to form spontaneous sentences, or for word level practice.

# Scorpions

Scorpions appear to be threatening creatures. Their eight legs, pincers or 'claws', and venomous stinger make them look very scary. Even though scorpions are arachnids, you wouldn't mistake one for a spider. They look more like small lobsters ranging from 2 ½ inches to a little more than 8 inches long.

All 2,000 species of scorpions eat other animals, mostly insects. They use their venomous stinger to kill their food. While these carnivores look like they would enjoy eating one of us, in reality, only 20 to 30 species possess poison strong enough to kill humans.

Scorpion habitats are on every continent. They live in woodland areas, the desert, the rain forests, in British Columbia, North Carolina, and even high in the Himalaya mountains. No matter where they are, scorpions must have soil so they can burrow, or dig. The holes they dig are also called burrows and this is where they live and hide. Some even create tunnels to travel between burrows.

If you were a scorpion, where would you want to live?





# Scorpions Vocabulary Context Clues

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- d. dangerous

What was the context clue?

3. Carnivore means:

- a. animal from the dinosaur age
- b. insect
- c. animal that eats other animals
- d. vegetarian

What was the context clue?

4. Possess means:

- a. open
- b. hide
- c. have
- d. feed

What was the context clue?

5. Habitat means:

- a. family
- b. home
- c. skeleton
- d. stinger

What was the context clue?

6. Burrow means:

- a. dig
- b. animal home in a hole in the ground
- c. sniff
- d. both a and b

What was the context clue?

# Answer Key Scorpions Vocabulary Context Clues

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While these carnivores look like they would enjoy eating one of us,

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- ~~b. home~~
- c. skeleton
- d. stinger

What was the context clue?

They live in...

6. Burrow means:

- a. dig
- b. animal home in a hole in the ground
- c. sniff
- ~~d. both a and b~~

What was the context clue?

so they can burrow, or dig. AND The holes they dig are also called burrows

# Scorpions

## Comprehension Questions

1. What animal looks similar to a scorpion?
2. If your friend says she found a scorpion the size of your hand, could she be telling the truth?
3. How many species of scorpions are there?
4. If you had a pet scorpion, what would you feed it?
5. Why do scorpions have poison in their stingers?
6. Why do scorpions dig tunnels?
7. Why do scorpions need burrows?
8. What size are scorpions?
9. Why would someone be scared of a scorpion?
10. Other than food and water, what would a pet scorpion need in its terrarium?

## Logic Questions

1. Could you be stung by a scorpion while swimming in the ocean? Why or why not?
2. What do scorpions do with their claws?
3. Why would an animal create tunnels between burrows instead of traveling above ground?
4. Why would a scorpion be a good animal to put in a horror movie?
5. Is a scorpion a good pet for a young child? Why or why not?

# Answer Key

## Scorpions

### Comprehension Questions

1. What animal looks similar to a scorpion? Lobster
2. If your friend says she found a scorpion the size of your hand, could she be telling the truth? Yes
3. How many species of scorpions are there? 2,000
4. If you had a pet scorpion, what would you feed it? Insects
5. Why do scorpions have venom in their stingers? To kill their food before they eat it.
6. Why do scorpions dig tunnels? So they can travel safely and quickly between burrows.
7. Why do scorpions need burrows? They live and hide in burrows.
8. What size are scorpions? 2 ½ inches to 8 inches
9. Why would someone be scared of a scorpion? They look scary and are venomous.
10. Other than food and water, what would a pet scorpion need in its terrarium? Soil

### Logic Questions

1. Could you be stung by a scorpion while swimming in the ocean? Why or why not? No. Scorpions are not water creatures. They are found on land.
2. What do scorpions do with their claws? Probably to grab and hold things such as food.
3. Why would an animal create tunnels between burrows instead of traveling above ground? It may be safer underground away from other predators. It may also be a straighter, shorter path.
4. Why would a scorpion be a good animal to put in a horror movie? They look scary and dangerous.
5. Is a scorpion a good pet for a young child? Why or why not? No. A young child could be easily stung when they feed a scorpion.



# Scorpions Word Search

## Definitions

1. Scary.
2. Animal group that eats meat and has eight legs and two body sections.
3. Any animal that eats meat.
4. Where something lives.
5. To have or to belong to someone.
6. A. To dig.  
B. Animal home in a hole in the ground.

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## Word Bank

Arachnid

Burrow

Carnivore

Habitat

Possess

Threatening

# Answer Key

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### Word Bank

Arachnid  
Burrow  
Carnivore  
Habitat  
Possess  
Threatening

# Scorpions Articulation Word Lists

## R Words

Scorpions  
Appear  
Creatures  
Their  
Pincers  
Stinger  
Very  
Scary  
Arachnids  
Are  
For  
Spider  
More  
Lobsters  
Ranging  
Other  
Carnivores  
Reality  
Thirty  
Every  
Desert

## R Words

Rain  
Forests  
North  
Carolina  
Matter  
Where  
Burrow  
Or  
Were

## R Blend Words

Threatening  
Creatures  
Strong  
British  
Create  
Travel

## S Words

Pincers  
Poisonous  
Insects  
Us  
Possess  
Soil  
So  
Also  
This  
Some

## S Blend Words

Scorpions  
Stinger  
Scary  
Mistake  
Spider  
Small  
Lobster  
Species  
Mostly  
Strong  
Habitats  
Forests

## Z Words

Creatures  
Legs  
Claws  
Poisonous  
Arachnids  
Lobsters  
Inches  
Animals  
Use  
These  
Possess  
Poison  
Humans  
Areas  
Desert  
Mountains  
Holes  
Is  
Tunnels  
Burrows

## L Words

Legs  
Look  
Like  
Small  
Lobsters  
Little  
Long  
All  
Kill  
While  
Reality  
Woodland  
Columbia  
Carolina  
Himalaya  
Soil  
Called  
Travel

## L Blend Words

Claws  
Animals  
Mostly  
Holes  
Tunnels

# Frogs

Ponds, lakes, and wet ditches are good environments to find frogs. These amphibians need to live near water to keep their smooth skin moist. Frogs are resilient animals and can survive some really tough environmental conditions, but they protect themselves by burrowing under leaves or deep in moist soil.

Some unusual things have been said about frogs. Fairytales tell of witches brewing potions with frogs, turning people into frogs and princesses kissing frogs and hoping that one will turn into a handsome prince! Many believe that touching a frog will give you warts, but all of these ideas are just stories and myths.

One thing that sounds fictitious but is actually true, is stories of frozen frogs coming back to life. Since frogs live near water, it makes sense that, in cold weather, the water they live near may freeze.

Sometimes the frogs freeze too. But nature created a solution to this problem. Frogs have a high

amount of glucose in their organs that acts like anti-freeze. This substance is essential. Without it, their organs would freeze completely and the frogs would perish. Glucose keeps frogs from dying from cold temperatures. So, as the weather warms and the frogs begin to thaw, their hearts begin to beat and their lungs breathe again. Nature is amazing!





# Frogs Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Environment means:

- a. place
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What was the context clue?

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- c. answer
- d. problem

What was the context clue?

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- b. useful but not always needed
- c. poisonous
- d. hard to get

What was the context clue?

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- a. die
- b. starve
- c. lose the ability to jump
- d. survive

What was the context clue?

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- c. slimy
- d. able to leap long distances

What was the context clue?

...can survive some really tough environmental conditions,

3. Fictitious means:

- a. true
- b. rude
- c. encouraging
- ~~d. false or made up~~

What was the context clue?

...but is actually true

4. Solution means:

- a. similar
- b. fever
- ~~c. answer~~
- d. problem

What was the context clue?

...created a solution to this problem.

5. Essential means:

- ~~a. describes something that you must have~~
- b. useful but not always needed
- c. poisonous
- d. hard to get

What was the context clue?

Without it, their organs would freeze completely...

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- ~~a. die~~
- b. starve
- c. lose the ability to jump
- d. survive

What was the context clue?

Glucose keeps frogs from dying...

# Frogs

## Comprehension Questions

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## Logic Questions

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2. Why would a witch costume possibly include a frog?
3. Is it likely that a frog would live in salt water? How do you know?
4. Why do you think frogs jump in backyard pools?
5. If you saw a frozen frog on the ground, would you think it was dead? Why or why not?

# Answer Key Frogs

## Comprehension Questions

1. If you want to find a frog, where is a good place to look? Near water.
2. How do frogs protect themselves? They stay in burrows.
3. What are two unusual ways that fairytales use frogs? Witches use them in magic potions. Kissing a frog may turn it into a handsome prince.
4. Does touching a frog give you warts? No.
5. What can happen to frogs when the temperature is very cold? They freeze partly but don't die.
6. Other than soil, where do frogs burrow? Under leaves.
7. How do frogs keep from dying when their bodies freeze? Glucose in their bodies.
8. What part of the frog's body contains the 'anti-freeze' substance? Organs like the heart and lungs.
9. Why do frogs live near water? They need water to keep their skin moist.
10. What happens as a frozen frog begins to thaw? The heart begins to beat and lungs begin to breathe again.

## Logic Questions

1. Is the desert a good home for a frog? Why or why not? No because the desert doesn't have consistent water source to keep frogs moist.
2. Why would a witch costume possibly include a frog? Because fairytales use frogs in witches' brews and magic spells.
3. Is it likely that a frog would live in salt water? How do you know? No. Frogs live in fresh water. Salt would dry frogs' skin.
4. Why do you think frogs jump in swimming pools? They want to be in water and don't know that pools have chemicals.
5. If you saw a frozen frog on the ground, would you think it was dead? Why or why not? Yes, because it would not be breathing and would not have a heartbeat.



# Frogs Word Search

## Definitions

1. Place or area.
2. Must have or can not do without.
3. Not true.
4. Die.
5. Able to withstand a lot without being hurt.
6. Answer to a problem or a way to fix a problem.

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## Word Bank

Resilient

Essential

Environment

Perish

Solution

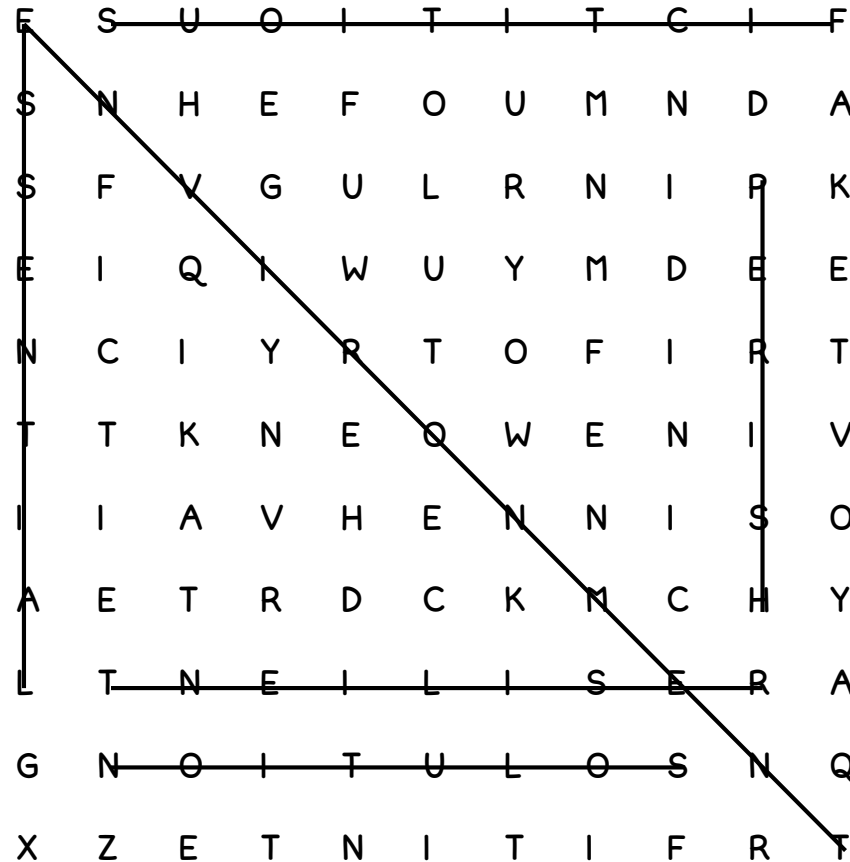
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# Answer Key

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# Frogs Articulation Word Lists

<u>R Words</u>	<u>R Blend Words</u>	<u>S Blend Words</u>	<u>Z Words</u>	<u>L Words</u>	<u>L Blend Words</u>
Are	Frogs	Lakes	Frogs	Lakes	Animals
Environments	Protect	Environments	Ponds	Live	Cold
Near	Brewing	Amphibians	Ditches	Resilient	Problem
Water	Princesses	Prince	These	Really	Glucose
Their	Prince	Warts	Amphibians	Environmental	Completely
Resilient	True	Just	Resilient	Themselves	
Survive	Frozen	Stories	Animals	Leaves	
Really	Freeze	Myths	Conditions	Soil	
Environmental	Created	Since	Themselves	Unusual	
Burrowing	Problem	Makes	Leaves	Fairytales	
Under	Breathe	Sense	Fairytales	Tell	
Fairytales		Substance	Witches	People	
Turning	<u>S Words</u>	Hearts	Potions	Will	
Turn	Survive		Princesses	Believe	
Warts	Some		Ideas	All	
Stories	Said		Stories	Actually	
Weather	Princesses		Sounds	Life	
Nature	Kissing		Is	Solution	
Organs	Handsome		Frozen	Essential	
Perish	Fictitious		Freeze	Lungs	
Warms	Since		Sometimes		
Hearts	Solution		Organs		
	This		As		
	Glucose		Warms		
	Essential		Lungs		
	So		Amazing		

# Mice

Mice burrow. Like other animals, mice use burrows for protection from predators such as cats, foxes, dogs and birds. In the wild, mice only live about a year. In spite of their short life span, the common house mouse is not in any danger of extinction. A mama mouse can have six babies at a time and can keep having that many every three weeks! If mice weren't a main source of food for other wild animals, we could assume their population would grow out of control.

When mice live indoors, there are no wild predators to keep their numbers down. It's likely that you have seen a mouse in your house at least once. Mice live where food is available. They are omnivores, so a human home is the perfect place for them to find both meat and vegetables as well as other foods mice enjoy. They eat a lot, up to 20 times a day! That means they also leave a big mess. Just one mouse will leave 100 droppings every day and they leave them everywhere they go.

Mouse poop is more than just messy, it also creates a health hazard. Mouse feces carries many diseases. Sometimes food is stored where there are mice. Where there are mice there are mouse droppings. When a person consumes food that has been in contact with mouse droppings, they can get very sick.

Salmonella is a disease caused by bacterium in rodent feces. It most commonly causes severe stomach issues, but it sometimes results in death. So when mom tells you to wash that apple before you eat it, do it!





# Mice Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Source means:

- a. place where something is
- b. number
- c. section
- d. supply

What was the context clue?

2. Assume means:

- a. to completely forget
- b. to believe something is true
- c. create something
- d. deliver

What was the context clue?

3. Available means:

- a. easy to reach
- b. rotten
- c. thrown away
- d. yummy

What was the context clue?

4. Omnivore means:

- a. lazy animal
- b. animal that eats meat and plants
- c. sleepy creatures
- d. hungry

What was the context clue?

5. Create means:

- a. make
- b. destroy
- c. prevent
- d. save

What was the context clue?

6. Issue means:

- a. problem
- b. recurring article
- c. bleeding
- d. worms

What was the context clue?

# Answer Key Mice Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Source means:

- ~~a. place where something is or begins~~
- b. number
- c. section
- d. supply

What was the context clue?

...food for other wild animals

2. Assume means:

- a. to completely forget
- ~~b. to believe something is true~~
- c. create something
- d. deliver

What was the context clue?

A mama mouse can have six babies at a time ...every three weeks! ...we could assume their population would grow out of control.

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...can get very sick.

# Mice

## Comprehension Questions

1. What animals are predators to mice?
2. How many babies can a mother mouse have at one time?
3. How long do mice live in the wild?
4. What keeps the mouse population under control?
5. Why is mouse feces (poop) considered a health hazard?
6. Why do mice poop so much?
7. What makes a human home an enjoyable place for mice to live?
8. Name a disease spread by mice.
9. How do mice spread diseases?
10. What are some symptoms that may indicate you've been infected with salmonella?

## Logic Questions

1. Do you think it is difficult to keep mice and other pests off of food in warehouses and stores?
2. Pet mice live longer than mice living in the wild. Why?
3. What would happen if mice didn't have natural predators?
4. Why do you think some people are afraid of mice?
5. Why should you always wash fresh food before you eat it?

# Answer Key Mice

## Comprehension Questions

1. What animals are predators to mice? cats, foxes, dogs and birds
2. How many babies can a mother mouse have at one time? Six at a time.
3. How long do mice live in the wild? About a year.
4. What keeps the mouse population under control? Predators and a short life span in the wild.
5. Why is mouse feces (poop) considered a health hazard? Their feces carries diseases.
6. Why do mice poop so much? They eat a lot.
7. What makes a human home an enjoyable place for mice to live? There is a large food source.
8. Name a disease spread by mice. Salmonella
9. How do mice spread diseases? Through their droppings.
10. What are some symptoms that may indicate you've been infected with salmonella? Severe stomach issues.

## Logic Questions

1. Do you think it is difficult to keep mice and other pests off of food in warehouses and stores? Yes. (Accept any reasonable answer for why.)
2. Pet mice live longer than mice living in the wild. Why? They are cared for and protected from predators.
3. What would happen if mice didn't have natural predators? There would be too many mice and more disease would spread.
4. Why do you think some people are afraid of mice? They are afraid of disease (accept any logical answer.)
5. Why should you always wash fresh food before you eat it? To wash away germs and bacteria-causing diseases.

# Mice Word Search

## Definitions

1. Easy to reach or get.
2. Animal that eats meat and plants.
3. To believe something is true.
4. Place where something is.
5. Problems.
6. Make.

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A	V	A	I	L	A	B	L	E	Y	E
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M	E	T	E	O	C	K	M	C	S	Y
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## Word Bank

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# Answer Key

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

### Word Bank

Source

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# Mice Articulation Word Lists

<u>R Words</u>	<u>R Blend Words</u>	<u>S Words</u>	<u>S Blend Words</u>	<u>Z Words</u>	<u>L Words</u>
Burrow	Protection	Mice	Cats	Animals	Like
Other	From	Such	Spite	Use	Only
Birds	Predators	House	Span	Burrows	Live
Year	Every	Mouse	Extinction	As	Life
Their	Three	Six	Six	Foxes	Population
Short	Grow	Source	Weeks	Dogs	Control
Danger	Control	Assume	Least	Birds	Likely
Weren't	100 (one hundred)	Seen	Once	Is	Available
Source	Droppings	So	Just	Babies	Vegetables
Indoors	Creates	Mess	Creates	Foods	Well
There		Messy	Stored	Means	Lot
Are		Feces	Most	Droppings	Also
Numbers		Sometimes	Stomach	Hazard	Leave
Your		Person	Results	Feces	Will
Where		Consumes		Carries	Salmonella
Omnivores		Sick		Diseases	Commonly
Perfect		Salmonella		Sometimes	Apple
For		Severe		Consumes	
Everywhere				Has	
Carries				Caused	
Person				Issues	
Bacterium				Results	
Rodent				Tells	
Severe					
Results					
Before					
					<u>L Blend Words</u>
					Wild
					Place
					Health
					Results
					Tells



# Wolf Spiders

Wolf spiders look like something from your worst nightmare. These hairy beasts have eight legs and eight eyes. Wolf spiders have great eyesight. Their eyes don't move, but they are arranged in a way that makes everything visible in four directions at once. Creepy, but useful.

These things aren't just creepy looking, they can also run up to two feet per second. That may not sound fast, but when you're only two inches long, moving two feet in just one second is pretty speedy, especially if you're the slow poke on the wolf spider's menu. Don't worry though, they predominately eat insects and are relatively harmless to humans. A wolf spider's bite is venomous, but they rarely bite humans unless you poke, chase, or pester them.

If you are bitten, you'll probably experience swelling, mild pain, and maybe itching at the site of the bite. Wash the bite with soap and water. A cold cloth and a mild pain reliever will give you some relief.

Finding a wolf spider shouldn't be difficult. They live on every continent except Antarctica. You may encounter them in shallow burrows, around doors and windows, gardens, shrubs and near running water. They are camouflaged, so look carefully since they will blend in with their surroundings.

If you're brave enough, get a close look when you find one. You may be lucky enough to see a mama spider carrying her babies. This is odd, or very unusual, for arachnids. Mamas carry the spherical egg sac on their abdomen until the eggs hatch from the ball-shaped bag. Then they carry the babies, as many as 100 at a time, until the young spiders are mature enough to leave mom.

That is a sight to see, even if you don't have eight eyes!



# Wolf Spider Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Visible means:
- a. able to be heard
  - b. eyesight
  - c. able to be seen
  - d. light

What was the context clue?

2. Predominately means:
- a. mostly
  - b. never
  - c. not usually
  - d. sometimes

What was the context clue?

3. Encounter means:
- a. bother
  - b. to meet face to face
  - c. smell
  - d. kill

What was the context clue?

4. Odd means:
- a. few
  - b. the opposite of even
  - c. short
  - d. unusual

What was the context clue?

5. Spherical means:
- a. round like a ball
  - b. musical
  - c. babies
  - d. lost

What was the context clue?

6. Mature means:
- a. ugly
  - b. history
  - c. developed
  - d. gray

What was the context clue?

# Answer Key Wolf Spider Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Visible means:

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What was the context clue? Their eyes... are arranged in a way that makes everything visible ...

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...especially if you're the slow poke on the wolf spider's menu. Don't worry though, they predominately eat insects and are relatively harmless to humans.

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- c. short
- ~~d. unusual~~

What was the context clue?

...or very unusual

5. Spherical means:

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- b. musical
- c. babies
- d. lost

What was the context clue?

...eggs hatch from the ball-shaped bag.

6. Mature means:

- a. ugly
- b. history
- ~~c. developed or old enough~~
- d. gray

What was the context clue?

...until the young spiders are mature enough to leave mom.

# Wolf Spider

## Comprehension Questions

1. How many eyes does a wolf spider have?
2. In how many different directions can the wolf spider see?
3. What does a wolf spider usually eat?
4. Do wolf spiders usually bite people?
5. What are the symptoms of a wolf spider bite?
6. How do you treat a wolf spider bite?
7. Where are you likely to find a wolf spider?
8. How many babies can a wolf spider have at one time?
9. How are wolf spider parents different from other spider parents?
10. How fast can wolf spiders move?

## Logic Questions

1. Why should you wash a spider bite with soap and water?
2. Why are some people scared of spiders?
3. Are wolf spiders good hunters? Why or why not?
4. Why does a wolf spider bite kill an insect but not a person?
5. How does being camouflaged help the wolf spider hunt for food?

# Wolf Spider

## Comprehension Questions

1. How many eyes does a wolf spider have? Eight.
2. In how many different directions can the wolf spider see? Four.
3. What does a wolf spider usually eat? Insects.
4. Do wolf spiders usually bite people? No.
5. What are the symptoms of a wolf spider bite? Swelling, pain, itching.
6. How do you treat a wolf spider bite? Wash with soap and water, use a cold cloth and pain reliever.
7. Where are you likely to find a wolf spider? Shallow burrows, around doors and windows, gardens, shrubs and near running water.
8. How many babies can a wolf spider have at one time? 100
9. How are wolf spider parents different from other spider parents? They take care of their young until the young can care for themselves.
10. How fast can wolf spiders move? Two feet per second.

## Logic Questions

1. Why should you wash a spider bite with soap and water? To clean the wound and keep it from becoming infected.
2. Why are some people scared of spiders? They are scary looking (accept any logical answer).
3. Are wolf spiders good hunters? Why or why not? Yes. They run fast and have good eyesight (accept any logical answer.)
4. Why does a wolf spider bite kill an insect but not a person? The amount of venom the bite delivers is not enough to kill a person.
5. How does being camouflaged help the wolf spider hunt for food? Their prey can not see the spider as well if it is camouflaged.

# Wolf Spider Word Search

## Definitions

1. Mostly.
2. Unusual.
3. Ball-shaped.
4. Able to be seen.
5. Developed.
6. To come face to face.

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

- Visible
- Predominately
- Encounter
- Odd
- Spherical
- Mature



# Wolf Spider Articulation Word Lists

## R Words

Spiders  
Your  
Worst  
Nightmare  
Hairy  
Are  
Arranged  
Four  
Directions  
Aren't  
You're  
Worry  
Relatively  
Harmless  
Rarely  
Pester  
Experience  
Water  
Reliever  
Relief  
Observe  
Every  
Antarctica  
Encounter  
Burrows  
Around

## R Words

Doors  
Gardens  
Near  
Running  
Water  
Carefully  
Their  
Surrounding  
Carrying  
Her  
Very  
For  
Arachnids  
Mature  
  
R Blend Words  
  
From  
Great  
Creepy  
Pretty  
Predominately  
Probably  
Shrubs  
Brave  
100 (one hundred)

## S Words

Something  
Eyesight  
Makes  
Once  
Useful  
Also  
Second  
Sound  
Especially  
Insects  
Harmless  
Venomous  
Unless  
Chase  
Some  
Experience  
Site  
Except  
So  
Surroundings  
Close  
See  
This  
Sight

## S Blend Words

Spiders  
Worst  
Beasts  
Just  
Fast  
Speedy  
Slow  
Pester  
Swelling

## L Blend Words

Wolf  
Predominately  
Probably  
Mild  
Cold  
Cloth  
Difficult  
Camouflaged  
Blend  
Close

## L Words

Look  
Like  
Legs  
Useful  
Looking  
Also  
Long  
Especially  
Slow  
Relatively  
Harmless  
Rarely  
Unless  
You'll  
Swelling  
Reliever  
Will  
Relief  
Shallow  
Carefully  
Lucky  
Unusual  
Until  
Leave

## Z Words

Spiders  
These  
Legs  
Eyes  
As  
Visible  
Directions  
Things  
Inches  
Humans  
Is  
Observe  
Doors  
Windows  
Gardens  
Surroundings  
Babies  
Arachnids  
Mamas

# Eastern Indigo Snake

Have you ever considered having a snake for a pet? Indigo snakes are such popular pets that they are now on the threatened species list. Snake hunters have collected so many for the pet trade that the Indigo snake population is now greatly diminished. These blue-black snakes require a large area of uninterrupted land. Land developers have expanded, or increased, the number of highways and commercial developments. This has contributed to the loss of animal habitat and the decrease in Indigo snake population. Eastern Indigos are still found in the Eastern United States, mainly Florida and Georgia, but they are no longer found in Alabama.

These reptiles are passive. They are not known to attack people and rarely bite humans even if they are picked up. Eastern Indigos are slower moving and non-venomous. All of these qualities add to their popularity as pets, but because they are a threatened species, you must have a permit to own one.

Fish, frogs, other snakes, even small alligators are included in the Eastern Indigo snake's diet. They are able to consume Eastern Rattlesnakes because they are immune to rattlesnake venom. Indigo snakes do not have venom, so their typical method of eating is to beat their prey on a hard object until it stops struggling. The snake will eat the animal whole, head first. Pet owners feed their snakes dead animals



to prohibit injury from their violent natural method of eating.

Keep in mind that Eastern Indigos are the largest snakes in North America. They easily grow to be seven feet long, so provide a large area and a snug burrow just as they would have in their natural setting.

# Eastern Indigo Snake Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Diminished means:

- a. poor
- b. hated
- c. decrease or to be less than before
- d. more than usual

What was the context clue?

2. Expanded means:

- a. built
- b. tall
- c. busy
- d. increased

What was the context clue?

3. Passive means:

- a. not likely to attack
- b. harmful
- c. aggressive
- d. long

What was the context clue?

4. Consume means:

- a. set fire to
- b. beat
- c. eat
- d. leave

What was the context clue?

5. Method means:

- a. a piece of something
- b. a way of doing something
- c. grow
- d. food

What was the context clue?

6. Prohibit means:

- a. try
- b. encourage
- c. look for
- d. stop or prevent

What was the context clue?

# Answer Key Eastern Indigo Snake Vocabulary Context Clues

1. Diminished means:

- a. poor
- b. hated
- c. ~~decrease or to be less than before~~
- d. more than usual

What was the context clue?

This has contributed to the loss of animal habitat and the decrease in Indigo snake population.

2. Expanded means:

- a. built
- b. tall
- c. busy
- d. ~~increased~~

What was the context clue?

... or increased

3. Passive means:

- a. ~~not likely to attack~~
- b. harmful
- c. aggressive
- d. long

What was the context clue?

They are not known to attack people...

4. Consume means:

- a. set fire to
- b. beat
- c. ~~eat~~
- d. leave

What was the context clue?

...are included in the Eastern Indigo snake's diet.

5. Method means:

- a. a piece of something
- b. ~~a way of doing something~~
- c. grow
- d. food

What was the context clue?

...is to beat their prey on a hard object until it stops struggling. The snake will eat the animal whole, head first.

6. Prohibit means:

- a. try
- b. encourage
- c. look for
- d. ~~stop or prevent~~

What was the context clue?

...violent natural method of eating.

# Eastern Indigo Snake

## Comprehension Questions

1. What is the largest snake in North America?
2. Why do Eastern Indigo snakes make good pets?
3. How have Eastern Indigo snakes become a threatened species?
4. What do these snakes eat?
5. How do Eastern Indigo snakes eat their food?
6. Why do pet owners sometimes give their snakes dead animals to eat?
7. What do some states require you to buy in order to own an Eastern Indigo snake?
8. To what length can an Eastern Indigo snake grow?
9. Why is an Eastern Indigo snake able to eat an Eastern Rattlesnake?
10. Where can you find an Eastern Indigo snake?

## Logic Questions

1. Why do you think some snakes stay in burrows?
2. How do you think the Eastern Indigo snake got its name?
3. What can be done to increase the Eastern Indigo snake population?
4. What would cause Eastern Indigo snakes to leave Alabama, but remain in Florida and Georgia?
5. These animals are not likely to bite humans. If you see one in the wild, would it be okay to take it home with you? Why or why not?

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## Comprehension Questions

1. What is the largest snake in North America? Eastern Indigo Snake
2. Why do Eastern Indigo snakes make good pets? They are passive, non-venomous and don't attack unless they are bothered.
3. How have Eastern Indigo snakes become a threatened species? They have lost their homes to the building of highways and businesses, as well as snake hunters taking them to sell as pets.
4. What do these snakes eat? Fish, frogs, snakes, small alligators.
5. How do Eastern Indigo snakes eat their food? They beat the animal's head against a hard surface until it stops fighting, then they eat it head first.
6. Why do pet owners sometimes give their snakes dead animals to eat? So the snake won't hurt itself while beating its food.
7. What do some states require you to buy in order to own an Eastern Indigo snake? A permit.
8. To what length can an Eastern Indigo snake grow? Seven feet long.
9. Why is an Eastern Indigo snake able to eat an Eastern Rattlesnake? The Eastern Indigo snake is immune to rattlesnake venom.
10. Where can you find an Eastern Indigo snake? Georgia, Florida.

## Logic Questions

1. Why do you think some snakes stay in burrows? Cooler temperatures when it's hot outside, protection, comfort.
2. How do you think the Eastern Indigo snake got its name? Because of where they live and their color.
3. What can be done to increase the Eastern Indigo snake population? Stop taking them for pets, decrease building in their habitat so they have more land in which to live.
4. What would cause Eastern Indigo snakes to leave Alabama, but remain in Florida and Georgia? (Accept any reasonable answer.) More building may be occurring in that area, more snake hunting in that state.
5. These animals are not likely to bite humans. If you see one in the wild, would it be okay to take it home with you? Why or why not? No. There are not as many of them as there used to be. They could become extinct if we are not careful. (Accept other logical answers).

# Eastern Indigo Snake Word Search

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2. A way of doing something.

3. Eat.

4. Increased.

5. Stop or prevent something from happening.

6. To decrease or be less than before.

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# Eastern Indigo Snake Articulation Word Lists

## R Words

Ever  
Considered  
For  
Popular  
Are  
Hunters  
Require  
Large  
Area  
Uninterrupted  
Their  
Eastern  
Florida  
Georgia  
Longer  
Reptiles  
Rarely  
Slower  
Popularity  
Permit  
Other  
Alligators  
Rattlesnakes  
Hard  
First  
Injuring  
Owners

## R Words

Rather  
Largest  
North  
America  
Large  
Burrow  
Comfortable  
Secure  
Natural  
Environment

## R Blend Words

Threatened  
Trade  
Greatly  
Increased  
Contributed  
Decrease  
Frogs  
Prey  
Struggling  
Prohibit  
Grow  
Provide

## S Words

Considered  
Snakes  
Such  
So  
Increased  
Loss  
This  
Decrease  
States  
Passive  
Non-venomous  
Pets  
Consume  
Stops  
Themselves  
Seven  
Secure

## S Blend Words

Snake  
Pets  
Species  
List  
Expanded  
Still  
Eastern  
States  
Slower  
Must  
Small  
Stops  
Struggling  
First  
Largest  
Snug

## L Blend Words

Blue  
Black  
Florida  
Slower  
Included  
Includes

## L Words

Popular  
List  
Collected  
Population  
Large  
Land  
Building  
Loss  
Mainly  
Longer  
Alabama  
Reptiles  
People  
Rarely  
All  
Popularity  
Alligators  
Able  
Typical  
Until  
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Animal  
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Easily

## L Words

Long  
Comfortable  
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Natural

## Z Words

Species  
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These  
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# THE BURROW



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- A. Dog
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- E. Spider
- F. Mouse
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## Cumulative Comprehension

1. Circle the animal that looks similar to a lobster but does not live in the ocean.
2. Draw a triangle around the animal that eats its prey head first.
3. Put your first initial on the animal that can survive being frozen.
4. Underline an animal that is not a snake, but is a danger to mice.
5. Write an X beside the animal that carries its babies on its back until they are older.
6. Place a dot under the animal that can no longer be found in Alabama.
7. Draw a star over the animal that is immune to Rattlesnake venom.
8. Circle the legs of the animal that has excellent eyesight and eats mostly insects.
9. Draw a square around the animal who must live near water to keep its skin moist.
10. Write the number 3 beside the animal that digs tunnels between burrows for easier travel.
11. Draw a wavy line across the animal that needs a lot of land area to live in.
12. Place two lines above the animal that carries many diseases that can make humans very sick.
13. Write the letter C on the animal that can have six babies every three weeks.
14. Draw a smile on the animal that is found on every continent except Antarctica.
15. Put a ✓ on the animal that is said to be used in witch spells.

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