



LISTENING AND SPEAKING ACTIVITIES

"BIOLOGY AND GEOLOGY" (1ºE.S.O.)

UNIT 7: "Vertebrates"



1. Listen and complete the text with the following words.

Legs

Venomous

Jaws

Tail

Lizards

Carapace

Scales

Snakes

Metamorphosis

Legless

Turtles

Lay

Ectotherms

Crocodiles

Reptiles

Reptiles are vertebrate animals which mostly live on land, but some live in water.

a) Characteristics of reptiles

- They always have a They usually have two pairs of, each with five digits with sharp nails.
- Their skin is covered by thick, which make it impermeable.
- Their body temperature changes with the environment they live in, that is why we say they are
- They breathe through lungs.
- Females eggs with a hard and impermeable shell, from which babies emerge. The babies look like the adults. They don't undergo

b) The main types of reptiles



-Their bodies are in a hard bony shell (.....), from which the head, tail and legs emerge.
- This is the most varied group. It includes lizards, wall lizards, chameleons, skinks and iguanas.
-Their bodies are elongated and They are all carnivores, and many have a bite.
-They are the biggest living reptiles. They are adapted to live in aquatic environments. They have powerful and sharp teeth.



2. Now, in turns with your partner, answer the questions:

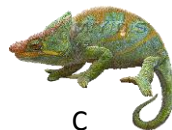
- What does it mean that reptiles are *ectothermal* animals? Do you know any synonymous?
- What characteristics of reptiles help them to live in dry environments?
- Which group of reptiles has a carapace? Which group doesn't have legs?
- Relate each type of lizard with the pictures below:



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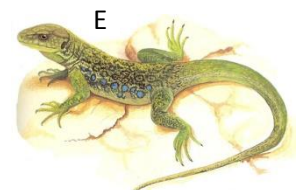
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...Do you dare to make your own questions?