



Note-taking Worksheet

Vertebrate Animals

Section 1 Chordate Animals

- A. _____—animal with a notochord and gill slits sometime during its development
1. Internal system of bones called an _____
 2. _____—cold-blooded animals whose body temperatures change as their environmental temperatures change
 3. _____—warm-blooded animals whose body temperatures do not change with changes in their surroundings
- B. _____—ectotherms living in water
1. _____ that exchange carbon dioxide for oxygen
 2. _____ to steer, balance, and move
 3. _____ to cover and protect skin
- C. Three _____ of fish
1. _____—have a skeleton made of bone; 95 % of all fish
 - a. _____—air sac to help control swimming depth
 - b. External fertilization in reproduction
 2. Some fish endoskeletons are made of _____, a tough, flexible tissue, rather than bone.
 3. _____ fish—long, tube-like body without scales; a cartilage skeleton; mouth without a jaw; very few species
 4. _____ fish—cartilage skeletons, movable jaws, rough scales, sharp teeth, usually predators; sharks in this group

Section 2 Amphibians and Reptiles

- A. _____ spend part of their lives on land and part in water.
1. Adaptions—adjustments for _____
 - a. _____—inactivity during cold weather
 - b. _____—inactivity during hot, dry weather

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2. Characteristics of amphibians

- _____ to support body on land
- _____ to breathe on land; also exchange oxygen and carbon dioxide through the skin
- _____ and _____ adapted to land life
- Long _____ capture insects for food

3. Amphibian _____

- Hatched from eggs fertilized in water; _____ live in water and breathe through gills
- Land-function structures such as _____ and _____ develop for _____ life

B. _____—ectothermic animals that generally live their whole lives on land

1. Reptile types—body plans _____

- Some, such as turtles, use a hard _____ for protection.
- Some, such as alligators or crocodiles, live in or near _____.
- Some, such as lizards and snakes, use their tongues to _____ their environment

2. Reptile _____

- Thick, dry skin covered with _____ protects and reduces water loss.
- Breathe through _____
- Internal fertilization produces _____ that nourish and protect the young until they hatch, fully developed

Section 3 Birds

A. _____—endothermic vertebrates that have two wings, two legs, a bill or beak, feathers, and lay eggs

B. Adaptations for _____

- Strong, hollow _____
- High-energy _____
- Large, efficient _____
- Lungs with _____ for efficiency and light weight
- _____ shape, movement, and surface area to enable flight
- _____ shape

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1. _____—give shape and coloring
 - a. _____—parallel strands off the main shaft
 - b. Help bird _____ or swim
 - c. Attract _____ or _____ from predators
2. _____—insulating layer of fluffy feathers under contour feathers
3. Feather care—_____ adds oil for water-repellency; also closes breaks or gaps in feathers

Section 4 Mammals**A.** _____—endothermic vertebrates with mammary glands and hair

1. _____—produce milk to nourish young
2. Specialized _____
 - a. _____—plant-eating animals with incisors for cutting and molars for grinding
 - b. _____—meat eaters with sharp canines for tearing flesh
 - c. _____—eat both plants and animals using a variety of teeth
3. Body _____
 - a. Well developed _____ with millions of alveoli
 - b. Large _____ and complex nervous system for learning and remembering
 - c. _____ fertilization

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B. _____ types

1. _____ lay eggs and lack nipples on mammary glands.
2. _____ give birth to immature young that finish developing in a pouch.
3. _____ develop from embryos connected to a placenta by an umbilical cord.
 - a. Placenta provides _____ and oxygen to embryo and removes its _____.
 - b. Time of development in uterus is called _____.

C. Mammals _____

1. More than 4,000 _____ exist.
2. Found on every _____ and climate
3. Have a role in maintaining environmental _____
4. Many mammals are _____ due to destruction of their habitat.

