

Read 1-03

Amazing

All animals can breathe and move, but they're different in many amazing ways. Here, we look at how they are the same and how they are different. This helps us put them into groups.

Birds



feathers



wings

All birds have two legs, two **wings**, and **feathers**, and most birds can fly. The wings and feathers help them fly, and the feathers help keep them warm. Birds lay **eggs** with hard shells. They keep the baby birds inside safe from animals that want to eat them.

Fish

Fish have **gills** to help them breathe in water. **Scales** all over their bodies help keep them safe from dangerous fish that want to bite them. They don't have legs, but their fins and tails help them swim. Fish lay their eggs in water, and their eggs are soft.



Think How are fish different from birds?

Animals

Amphibians

Amphibians are very interesting because they can live on land and in water. Amphibians need to have **wet skin**, so they live in wet places. They lay their soft eggs in water. They have gills when they're young and the gills help them breathe in water. Most amphibians, like frogs, have legs that help them walk and jump on land.



Think How are amphibians the same as fish?

Mammals



Think How are mammals different from amphibians?

Some **mammals** live on land and some live in water. Whales are water mammals, and cats, rabbits, and lions are land mammals. Hair or **fur** covers most land mammals' bodies and this helps keep them warm. People are mammals too! Mammals don't lay eggs. Their babies drink milk from their mothers.

Understand



Comprehension

Think What do you like about the text? Check (✓). Why? Give a reason.

1 The bird group ☐

3 The amphibian group ☐

2 The fish group ☐

4 The mammal group ☐

A Ask and answer the question.



What's your favorite part?

Frogs have wet skin. That's cool!



B How are birds and fish the same? How are they different? Circle *Same* or *Different*.

1 How they breathe

Same Different

3 What covers their bodies

Same Different

2 How they lay eggs

Same Different

4 How they move

Same Different

C Answer the questions.

1 Where do amphibians live? _____.

2 How do amphibians move? _____.

3 What helps amphibians breathe in water? _____.

4 What do mammals have all over their bodies? _____.

5 What land mammals are in the text? _____.

6 What do baby mammals drink? _____.

Think What do you think?

1 Why can't birds live under water?

2 Why do frogs need to live near water?