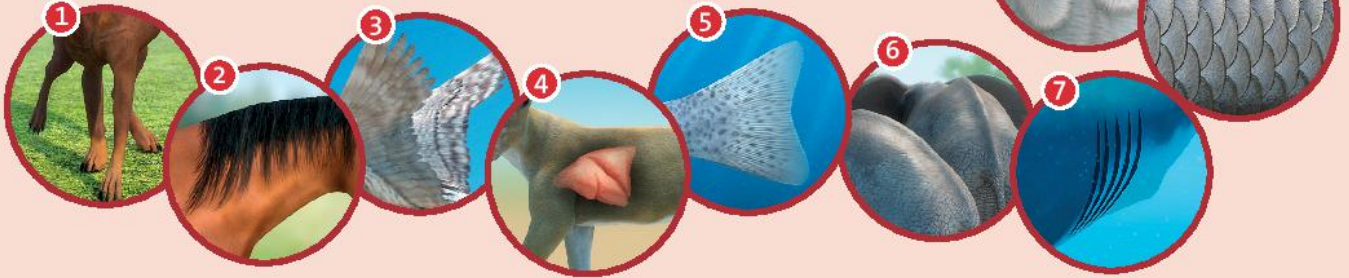


- 1 Check the meanings of the words in the box and match them with pictures 1–9. Then complete the text with the correct words.

feathers scales legs hair wings lungs fins backbones gills



- 2 1.38 Read and listen to the text. Check your answers in exercise 1.

- 3 Read the text again and answer the questions.

- Which type of animal doesn't live on land?
- Which types of animals have got scales?
- Which type of animal hasn't got lungs when it's young?
- Which type of animal feeds its babies milk?
- Which type of animal is different when it's older?

- 4 Which group are these animals from? Use the information to classify them.

crocodile shark camel eagle

- Does it feed its babies milk?  
**Yes.** It's a mammal. **No.** Go to number 2.
- Has it got feathers and wings?  
**Yes.** It's a bird. **No.** Go to number 3.
- Has it got fins?  
**Yes.** It's a fish. **No.** Go to number 4.
- Has it got scales?  
**Yes.** It's a reptile. **No.** It's an amphibian.

- 5 **USE IT!** Work in groups. Think of an animal. Ask and answer the questions in exercise 4 and your own questions. Guess the animals.

## Vertebrates

Vertebrates are animals with **backbones**. The following groups are the different types of vertebrates.

### Fish



Fish are cold-blooded animals and they live in water. They have got scales and <sup>1</sup>..... They haven't got lungs. They have got <sup>2</sup>..... instead.

### Mammals



All mammals are warm-blooded and they feed their babies milk. Most mammals live on land, for example, humans and dogs. However, some mammals, like whales, live in water, but they haven't got gills. Mammals have all got <sup>3</sup>.....

### Birds



Birds live on land, but some of them look for food in the water. They have got <sup>4</sup>....., two legs and two <sup>5</sup>..... Some birds, like ostriches and kiwis, can't fly. All birds lay eggs.

### Amphibians



When amphibians are young, they live in water and they haven't got lungs. When they are adult, they have got lungs and four <sup>6</sup>..... – for example, frogs and toads.

### Reptiles



Most reptiles live on land. They have got lungs and <sup>7</sup>....., but not gills. They haven't got any wings or feathers and they haven't got any <sup>8</sup>..... They are cold-blooded animals and many of them live in warm places.

