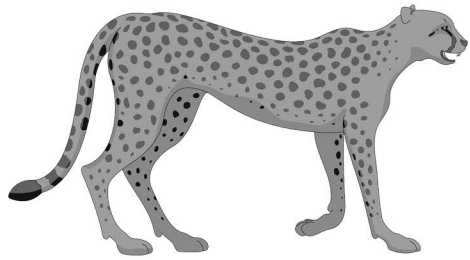
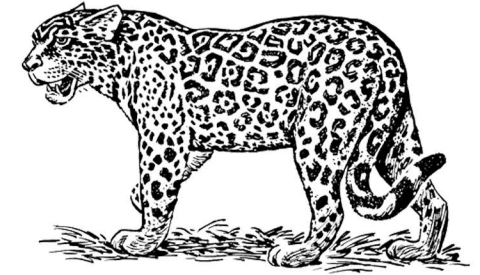


Animals Compare & Contrast Mini-Passages Answer Key

Cheetahs & Leopards	Donkeys & Mules	Geckos & Lizards	Penguins & Puffins	Sea Lions & Seals	Tortoises & Turtles
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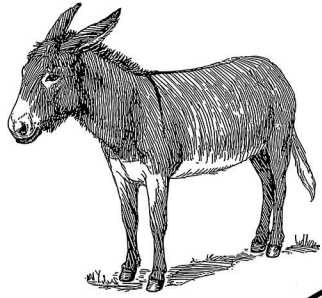
Cheetahs

Leopards

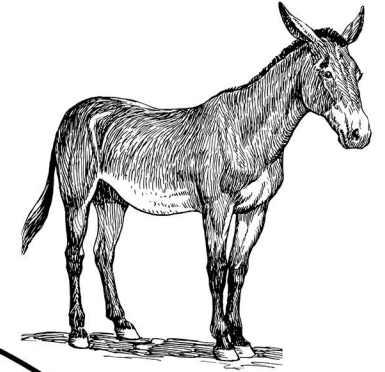
purr & growl
hunt during day
eat prey in tall grass
run in small packs
taller
small heads
round faces
slender bodies
deep chest
narrow waists
long legs
tan fur with black spots
exposed claws
faster & lighter
runs up to 75 mph

Same
spotted
wild cats
carnivores

roar
classified as big cats
hunt at night
eat prey in trees
hunt alone
big heads
broad faces
powerful jaws
shorter legs & tails
yellow fur with black spots inside rosettes
retractable claws
runs up to 36 mph



Name _____ KEY



Donkeys

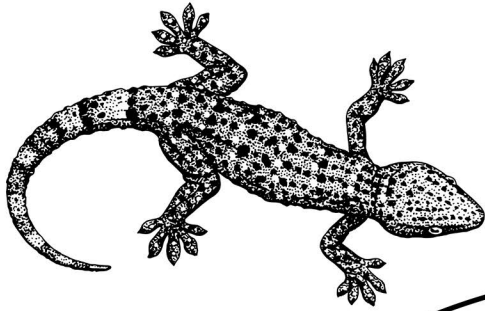
Mules

Same

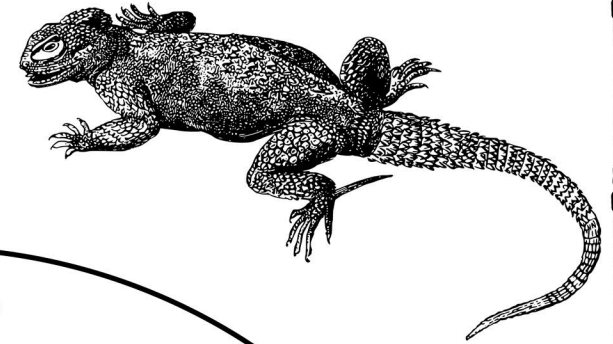
coarse hair
flatter backs
smaller hooves
thin tails
dark stripe along back
dark stripe across shoulders
hee-haws
smaller than mules
carry less weight

horse family
long ears
make sounds
working animals
carry heavy loads
sure-footed
very smart
eat plants
live 30 years +

offspring of male donkey
& female horse
size & shape like horses
can be ridden like horse
whinnies & hee-haws mixed
larger than donkeys
carry more weight



Name _____ KEY



Geckos

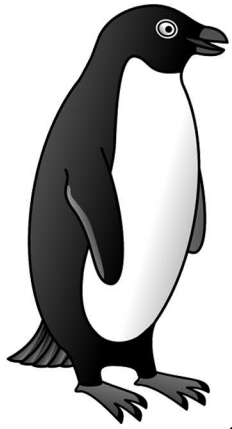
Lizards

are also lizards
bumpy, thin skin
no eyelids
transparent eye
membranes
eyes with large pupils
hunt at night
broad toes with
bristled skin
special toe pads
vertical climbers
expel poop on enemies
carried to other places
by accident
lives 5-7 years

Same

reptiles
four legs
detachable tail
cold-blooded
eat insects

dry, scaly skin
have eyelids
clawed feet
no toe pads
also eat small animals,
fruits & vegetables
live on most continents
lives 1-3 years



Name _____ KEY



Penguins

Puffins

Same

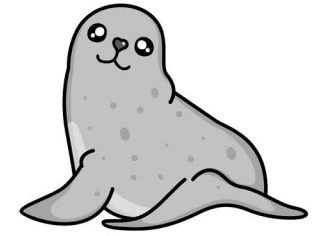
live in Southern hemisphere
cannot fly
thick, heavy bodies
solid bones
hunted by sea lions
larger than puffins
can reach 4 ft. tall
can weigh up to 75 lbs.
use wings like flippers
great divers
stay underwater up to 20 min.

seabirds
black & white feathers
live near coasts
short wings
eat small fish
hunted by sharks & orcas
mate for life
both parents care for babies

live in Northern hemisphere
can fly
short bodies
light bones
hunted by seagulls
about 15 in. tall
weighs about 2 lbs.
have spikes in mouth to collect fish



Name _____ KEY _____



Sea Lions

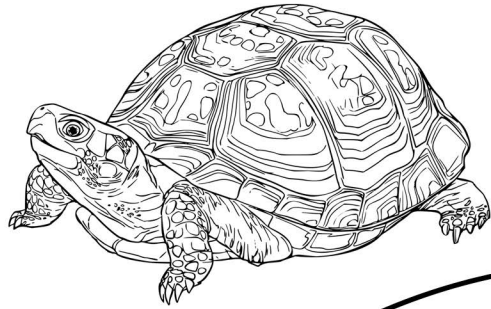
Seals

Same

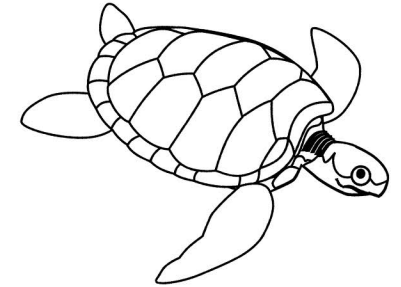
larger front flippers
propelled by front
flippers
faster than seals
walk on land by
rotating front flippers
louder than seals
bark
gather in herds
used in marine shows
can learn tricks

mammals
barrel-shaped
bodies
four flippers
great swimmers
thick skin
extra fat layer
see & hear well

rarely come ashore
wriggle on bellies
when on land
travel far for food
propelled by hind
flippers
flexible but slower
grunt softly



Name _____ KEY _____



Tortoises

Turtles

Same

mostly live on land
cannot swim
stumpy feet with claws
round bodies
domed shells
burrow to stay cool
mostly herbivores
Galapagos tortoise
is the largest

reptiles
cold-blooded
have bony shells
eat plants

live mainly in water
webbed feet
excellent swimmers
flat, streamlined bodies
omnivores
also eat fish, worms
& insects
leatherback sea
turtle is the largest