

Need to know:
All animals have adaptations that help them to:
Avoid predators
Find food
Move about

Crocodiles and Birds

Today, scientists consider birds to be living relatives of dinosaurs. Birds and crocodiles share a more recent ancestor than they do with other reptiles.

Can you name some similarities between crocodiles and birds?

Draw a crocodile in the water. Can you mark where the eyes, ears and nose are?

Why are these sense organs located in those positions?

In the Big Croc House, can you find a species that is Endangered? Where is it found, what habitat? _____

Is the species classified as:

Vulnerable **Endangered**

Critically Endangered

Extinct in the Wild

Can you draw the animal here?

Animal name:

Some of our lizards live in trees.

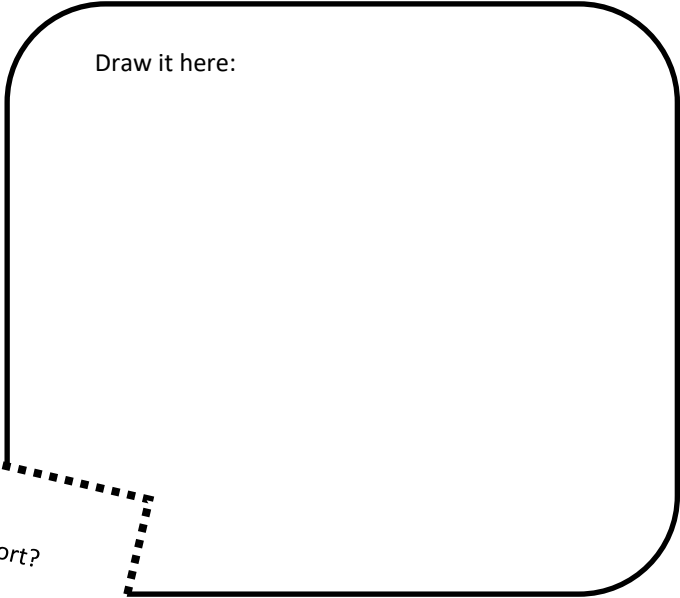
Pick one of these lizards.

What is it: _____

What features help it live in trees:

Where is it from?

Draw it here:



Hint:
Is the tail long or short?
Does it have sharp claws?

Crocodiles and alligators live near water. They use water to hunt for food, avoid predators when they are small, and to help regulate their temperature (water cools them down when it is very hot in the sun).

Where do you think pollution from factories and cities goes?

Do you think this is good for fish and other aquatic animals?

If the animals that crocodiles eat are no longer around, is this good for crocodiles?

Did you know
Plants provide the source materials for many medicines. Rainforests are being cleared before many more medicinal plants can be discovered.

When we read about animals losing their habitat, it is mostly because humans are destroying this habitat. This can be through pollution, cutting down forests, building dams, or expanding our cities.

If animals are becoming extinct because of this, do you think this is good for us?

We often forget that plants are also becoming threatened. Since plants produce oxygen, this is a serious concern for our future survival. What things around your home are made from plant or animal products?

If everyone in the world had the furniture and houses that we in the UK have, do you think there would be much left in the wild?
