

# Vocabulary List

<b>Adaptation</b>	a trait or characteristic of an organism that makes it more likely to survive in its environment
<b>Aquatic</b>	an organism that is growing or living in water
<b>Carnivore</b>	an animal that feeds on flesh of other animals
<b>Cold-blooded</b>	relying on the environment to control the inside body temperature
<b>Fangs</b>	long sharp teeth, hollow or grooved teeth of a venomous snake
<b>Habitat</b>	the natural home or environment of an organism
<b>Herbivore</b>	an animal that feeds on plants
<b>Hibernate</b>	to pass the winter in a resting state, to be or become inactive or dormant
<b>Omnivore</b>	an animal that feeds on both animal and plant matter
<b>Predator</b>	an animal that primarily gets food by killing and consuming other animals
<b>Prey</b>	an animal taken by a predator as food
<b>Reptile</b>	the group of vertebrate animals including snakes, lizards, crocodiles, turtles, and tortoises. They are distinguished by having dry scaly skin and typically laying soft-shelled eggs on land.
<b>Scale</b>	one of the thin, flat, rigid plates forming the covering of certain animals, such as snakes, lizards, and fish.
<b>Scute</b>	an external bony or horny plate or large scale, as on a turtle's shell
<b>Shed</b>	to lose old feathers, fur or skin to make way for new growth
<b>Shell</b>	a hard outer covering of an animal, such as a turtle
<b>Terrestrial</b>	an organism that is growing or living on land
<b>Venomous</b>	producing venom in a specialized gland and capable of causing injury or death

