

Creature features and **feline facts**

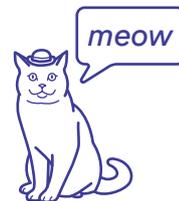
Creature Features

This game is to be played with 2 or more people. One person thinks of an animal but does not tell anyone what it is. The guesser reads the questions below and tries to guess what kind of animal it is!

1. Is the animal a vertebrate or an invertebrate?
2. Does this animal like being alone or in a group?
3. What kind of habitat or environment does this animal live in? e.g. desert, rainforest
4. How does this animal communicate with other animals?
5. Does this animal have any special features? e.g. wings, trunk, tail
6. Does this animal give birth to live babies or lay eggs?
7. What is the size of the animal?
8. What colour or patterns does this animal have?

Fun Fact

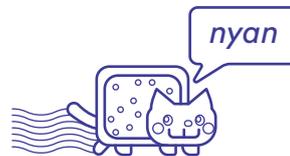
Languages and cultures around the world have different words for a cat's "meow".



English



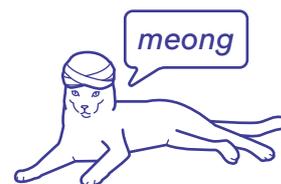
Italian



Japanese



Swedish & Norwegian



Indonesian

Word Bank

Vertebrate: is an animal with a spine made of bone or cartilage. Only vertebrates have a true tail.

Invertebrate: is an animal that doesn't have a spine. It might look like it has a tail, but it isn't a true tail because a true tail needs to be connected to the spine.

Monster Mash

Animals have all different types of features. Using the blank space below, can you draw a picture of a lion's head with an eagle's wings and a monkey's tail?

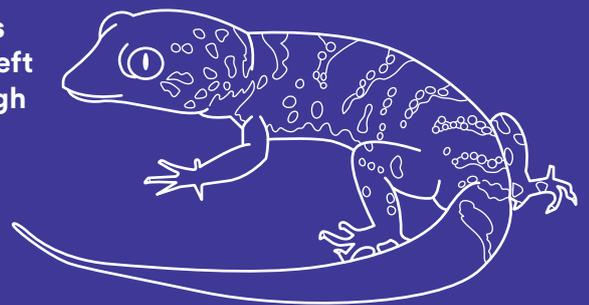


What would you call it? What sound would it make? How would it communicate with others of its species?

Did you know?

When threatened or under attack from predators, lizards and geckos can drop their tail and leave it behind! The left behind tail wiggles and distracts the predator long enough for the gecko to make a speedy getaway. The creature usually grows a replacement tail, but sometimes it's boneless or has a different colour!

In Perth, you can spot the Bynoe's Gecko (*Heteronotia binoei*) in your own backyard.



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Joke

Q: What is a cat's favourite colour?

A: "Purrr-ple"