

## ANIMALS

Why do snakes stick


A snake uses its nose mostly to breathe. To smell, it sticks out its tongue to "taste" smells in the air. Then it follows the smell to find its food.

# What Is Different? 

 Look at each picture in the top row. Find the differences between it and the one below.

## NATURE

## That's Coolb



## NAMING

## What in the World Are These?




# The cottontail rabbit looks for breakfast. It eats twigs, vines, and plants that stick out of the snow. 

> A cottontail rabbit can jump the length of a big car.

## The cottontail listens. It sniffs the air. It knows that a hungry coyote is close. <br> 

The rabbit races away. Its fluffy white tail is easy to see. The coyote chases the rabbit.

A cottontail's fur helps it hide in branches.


The rabbit hops
and hops. But wait. It zigs. Then it zags. Now the coyote cannot see the tail. The coyote is confused.

The name "cottontail" describesits fluffy white tail that looks like cotton.

The rabbit has time to hop away. Hurry, rabbit!

## IDENTIFYING



Use the clues below to play the game.
Find some tall ears.
Touch three spots.
Trace a fluffy tail.
Tap a short tail.
Scratch the wild cat with a mane.
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Touch a wild cat with small ears.

## PALLAS'S CAT




## ANIMALS

 macaques (say muh-KAKS) are also called snow monkeys.Young Japanese macaques love to play. They wrestle and leap together. They even make snowballs out of snow.

# Sometimes they make snowballs together. Many snow monkeys join the fun. 

After playtime, they warm up with friends in a hot-water spring.

These monkeys live in mountain forests found on islands.

## ОTHER

## MONKEYS

## There are more than 280 kinds of monkeys. Here are a few.

GOELDI'S MONKEY

ALLEN'S SWAMP MONKEY

EMPEROR TAMARIN



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## NATURE

## ICICLES!

Brr! It is freezing outside! Snow and ice cover the trees.



## ANATOMY

# P <br>  <br> C <br> D <br> $\square$ falcon 

$N E$

Peregrine falcons soar and dive to catch their food in the air. Here are some reasons why peregrine falcons are amazing hunters.


If you could run as fast as a falcon flies, you could get from one end of a soccer field to the other in one second.

Falcons use their sharp beaks to eat.

## COUNTING

## MORE o R

 Count the number of winter clothes in eachpicture. Use the questions below to figure out
which group has more or less than the others.

How many jackets are there? How many boots?

## Are there more jackets than boots?

How many scarves are there? Which groups have fewer items than the number of scarves?

> Are there more mittens or more hats?


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## leopard

## FUN FACTS

A leopard is very strong. It can drag big animals up into a tree. It eats high up so that hyenas can't steal its food.


## WILD CARDS



# six-spot burnet moth 

## FUN FACTS

Most moths fly around at night. But this kind of moth is up during the day. It looks for flowers that have nectar, a sweet juice to eat.


## WILD CARDS



# nine-banded armadillo 

## FUN FACTS

An armadillo has long claws on its feet. The claws help it dig for food such as ants. An armadillo can eat 40,000 ants at one meal.



## meerkats

## FUN FACTS

 Meerkats are little animals. They are about as tall as four of these cards side by side. Meerkats live in groups called mobs.


# black bear 

## FUN FACTS

Black bear cubs are born in the winter in their mother's den. About three months later in the spring, the cubs leave the den with Mom.



## WILD CARDS



# common octopus 

## FUN FACTS

An octopus can hide by changing its color and pattern to match what is around it. That keeps the octopus hidden from enemies.


