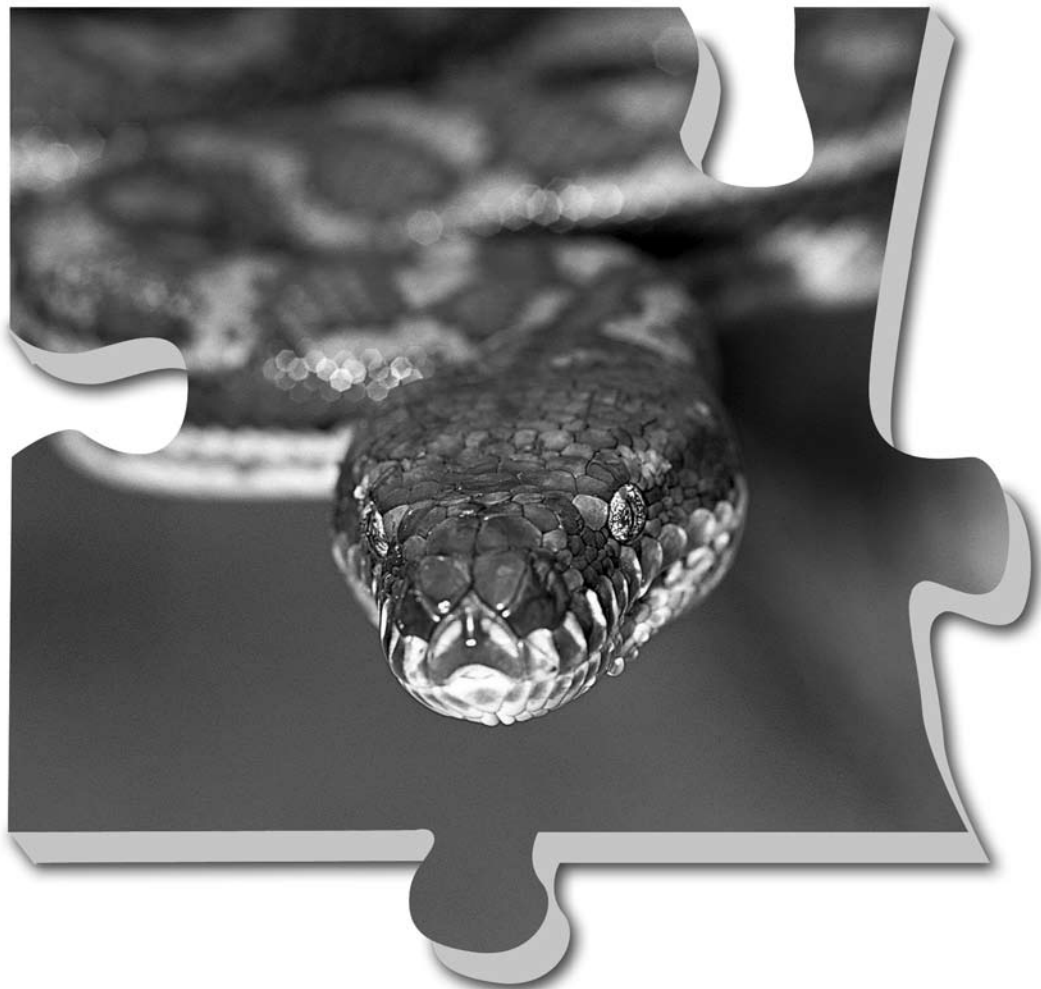




SNAKES



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Disney's ANIMAL WORLD

SNAKES

Objectives

The student in grades K-2 will:

- Become familiar with the physical characteristics of snakes
- Learn how snakes adapt to their environment
- Be introduced to the behavior of snakes and their offspring

Synopsis

Through live-action footage, students observe a variety of snakes. Clips from Disney animated films further illustrate key facts about these expert hunters. Students learn how snakes use their tongues to pick up scents in the air and how their powerful muscles allow them to climb, swim, and crawl. Students also take a closer look at spots or patterns that let snakes blend into their surroundings—and much more. Two short, fun quizzes help students focus on what they've learned.

Preview Questions

1. What do you know about snakes? Are snakes dangerous? Where do snakes live?
2. Are there many kinds of snakes? Are all snakes alike? Why or why not?

Suggested Activities

1. Use the library or Internet to locate snake stories. Then hold a round-robin storytelling session to describe how the rattlesnake got its rattles. Encourage students to draw upon what they learned about rattlesnakes from the video, but they should also make up their own fun details.
2. Make a camouflage drawing. Help students recall what they learned about how snakes hide in their environment, and how their special coloring helps them hunt for food. Then ask them to choose a snake and draw a picture of it “hidden” in a tree or on a rock. Invite students to find the snake in each other's pictures.
3. Help students complete a chart such as the one below that tells how the special physical characteristics of snakes help them survive.

Special parts of a snake's body	How they help snakes survive
pattern and colors of skin	help snakes camouflage themselves
strong stomach muscles	help snakes swallow their prey
jaws that stretch	help snakes eat their prey whole
fangs	help snakes kill their prey before swallowing it
tongues	help snakes sense their surroundings almost like a sense of smell

Subject:
Science
Running Time:
16 minutes



On the DVD

The program on this DVD is divided into 5 chapters. This allows the user to enter at different points in the program.

- Chapter 1: All Colors & Sizes
- Chapter 2: Quiz Time 1
- Chapter 3: Sidewinders
- Chapter 4: Quiz Time 2
- Chapter 5: Snake Eyes

DVD Activities

These classroom activities, found on the DVD, include relevant short scenes from the program.

Wall of Fame

Use the library or Internet to get pictures of different kinds of snakes. Choose your favorite and draw a picture of it. Add its name and a fun fact about it. Build a “Snake Wall of Fame” on the bulletin board.

Slithering 101

How do snakes move? Do you think this is a good way to get around? Why or why not?

Additional Resources

Disney Educational Productions

<http://www.Edustation.Disney.com>

This award-winning site contains additional activities and resources for use with this DVD.

Kidzone

<http://www.kidzone.ws/lw/snakes/activities.htm>

Snake activities

Apples for the Teacher

<http://www.apples4theteacher.com/native-american/short-stories/moon-and-great-snake.html>

Snakes in Native American folklore

U.S. Department of the Interior

<http://www.doi.gov/teachers/index.html>

Resources for teachers

