

Adaptable Animals Vocabulary Words

1. adaptation: a characteristic of an organism that increases its chance of survival in its environment.
2. camouflage: elements of an animals color, behavior, or morphology that help it blend in with its environment.
3. habitat: a place in an ecosystem where an organism normally lives.
4. ecosystem: an integrated unit of a biological community, its physical environment, and interactions.
5. mammal: warm-blooded animals that are covered with fur or hair and that feed their young milk.
6. reptile: animals that are cold-blooded or ectothermic, use lungs to breath, have dry, scaly skin, many lay eggs which have a leathery shell.
7. amphibian: a cold-blooded or ectothermic animal characterized by moist skin and a life cycle that often involves both water and land.
8. bird: A warm-blooded animal that lays eggs, has wings and a body covered with feathers.
9. carnivore: an animal (or plant) that eats meat.
10. herbivore: an animal that eats only plants.
11. predator: an animal that hunts and eats other animals.
12. prey: animals that are eaten by predators.