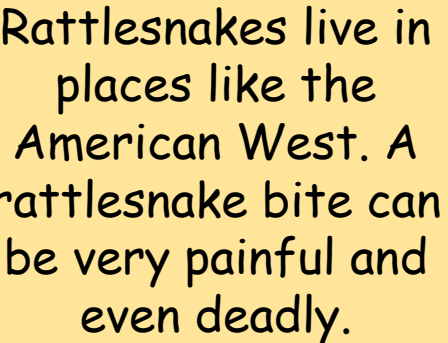


Look at the animals in the pictures. What do you know about them?  
Why are they dangerous? Listen and read to find out.

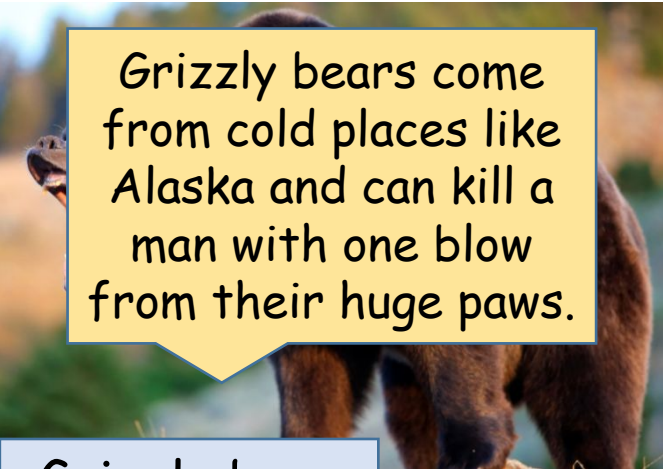


I know that alligators live in and next to rivers in places like the USA. They are extremely dangerous and can eat a man.



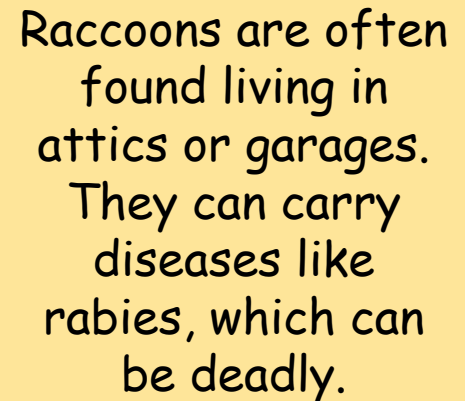
Rattlesnakes live in places like the American West. A rattlesnake bite can be very painful and even deadly.

Rattlesnake



Grizzly bears come from cold places like Alaska and can kill a man with one blow from their huge paws.

Grizzly bear



Raccoons are often found living in attics or garages. They can carry diseases like rabies, which can be deadly.

Raccoon



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Raccoons might look cute and cuddly, but they can actually carry many **diseases**, including rabies, a deadly virus. They are often found in attics or garages, or searching for food in rubbish bins, which they can open with their paws. If you see a raccoon, don't touch it. If you are ever scratched by one, wash the scratch well and see a doctor immediately.

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**Fascinating fact:**

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Some raccoons manage to get into kitchens through **cat flaps!**

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**Fascinating fact:**

Rattlesnakes are able to attack their prey **minutes** after they are born!



## Read again. Which animal:

Grizzly bears live alongside streams, lakes and rivers in , marshes Alaska and northwestern states such as Idaho, Texas and Montana, Washington and Wyoming. Although at almost sightings are not very common, these huge animals are is, usually the most dangerous of all bears and can easily kill or ever try to seriously injure humans. They can be **unpredictable** You don't and ferocious, especially when they are hungry, injured or with their cubs. So, if a bear approaches you, don't zly bear run and if you are attacked, lie face down and play inuously. dead! of them!

### Fascinating fact:

Grizzlies can run much faster than humans and even climb trees!

Raccoons

Rattlesnakes

Alligators

Grizzly bears

Grizzly bear

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of them!



## Complete the words to their definitions.

unpredictable ✓

warn ✓

snatch ✓

cat flap ✓

drag ✓

poisonous ✓

fatal ✓

motionless ✓

diseases ✓

painful ✓



Causing death

The alligator lives in places like rivers, marshes and swamps. You can find them in the southern states of Florida, Louisiana, Texas and Georgia. They eat almost anything and swallow it whole. They are very dangerous because they hide in the water without moving. Their prey often doesn't see them until the alligator jumps out of the water, snatches them, and drags them under. You should keep away from the edge of a lake or other water. Also don't make the mistake of feeding them!

Under the headings below. Choose one  
All the class about it.

rivers, lakes,  
marshes, swamps  
in Florida,  
Louisiana, Texas,  
Georgia



hide motionless in  
water and drag prey  
under



don't feed, don't go  
close to water



Alligator

Make notes about each animal under the headings below. Choose one animal and use your notes to tell the class about it.

Where it lives

southwestern  
states, e.g.  
California, Arizona



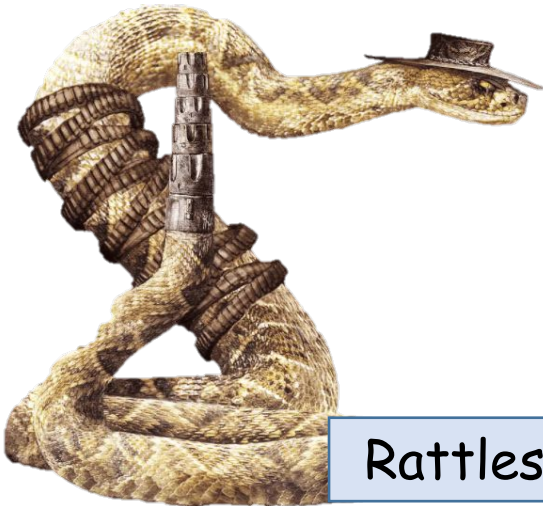
How it can be dangerous

painful bite with  
poisonous venom, can  
be fatal



How you can protect yourself

watch where you  
walk, wear strong  
leather boots.



Rattlesnake

Make notes about each animal under the headings below. Choose one animal and use your notes to tell the class about it.

Where it lives

streams, lakes,  
rivers in Alaska,  
Idaho, Montana,  
Washington,  
Wyoming



How it can be dangerous

unpredictable and  
ferocious (esp. when  
hungry, injured or  
with cubs)



How you can protect yourself

don't run, lie face  
down and play dead



Grizzly bear

Make notes about each animal under the headings below. Choose one animal and use your notes to tell the class about it.

Where it lives

attics or garages

How it can be dangerous

carry many diseases  
(e.g. rabies)

How you can protect yourself

don't touch, if  
scratched, wash and  
see a doctor at once



Raccoon

## rabies

UK  /reɪ.biːz/ US  /reɪ.biːz/

a serious disease of the nervous system that can cause death.  
Rabies can be passed on to humans by other animals.



Read the table. What are the verbs in bold in your language? Try to add more animals to the categories. Check with your partner.

1 mosquitoes, ants, dogs

2 cats, parrots, rabbits

3 scorpions, wasps, jellyfish

4 horses, donkeys, bulls

5 snakes, camels, llamas

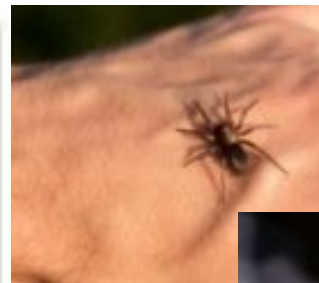
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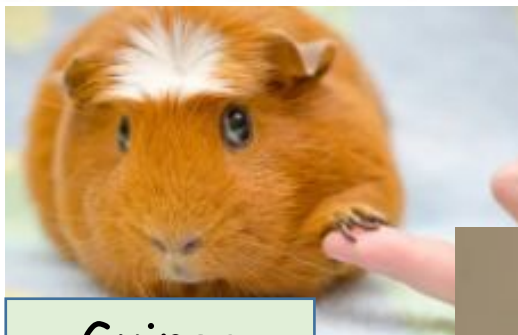
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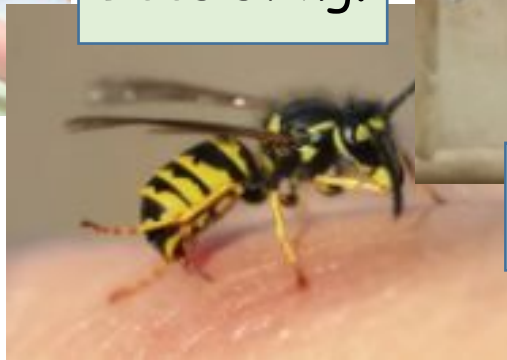


Spiders  
and rats  
bite.

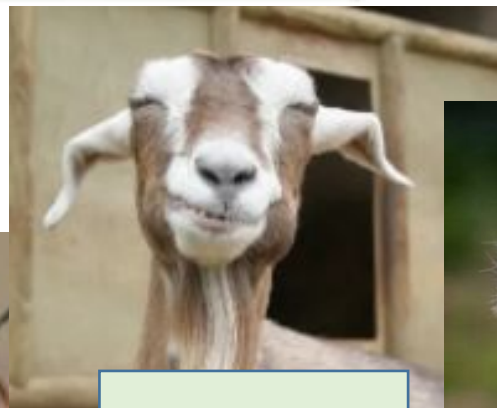


Guinea  
pigs  
scratch.

Bees sting.



Goats kick.



Alpacas spit.

Do some research and write notes using the headings in Ex.3 about a wild animal in your country. Write a paragraph about it.



Grey wolf