# Animals

## Side by Side



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## The Big Idea

Read about animals, and use numbers and measurement to compare and contrast.

## Skills at a Glance

**Monitor-Reading:**
- Discuss ideas with others

**Comprehension:**
- Compare and contrast

**Phonics:**
- Long o digraph (show, toes)

**Fluency:**
- Read commas

**Content Vocabulary:**
- alike, compare, count, different, equal, greater, length, less, measure, numbers

**Grammar, Word Study, and Language Development:**
- Ask "how" questions
- Use antonyms (big/small, greater/less)

**Sentence Pattern:**
- You can ___.

*Numerals, vocabulary words on pages 2 and 3, and words in photo captions, labels, diagrams, and charts are not included in the word count for this book.

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**How are these animals alike?**
**How are these animals different?**

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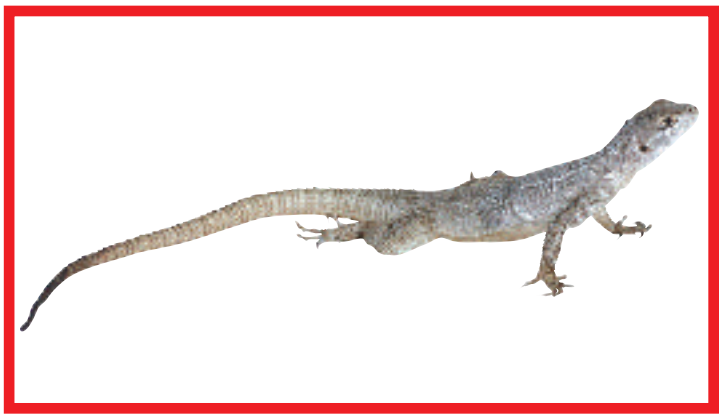
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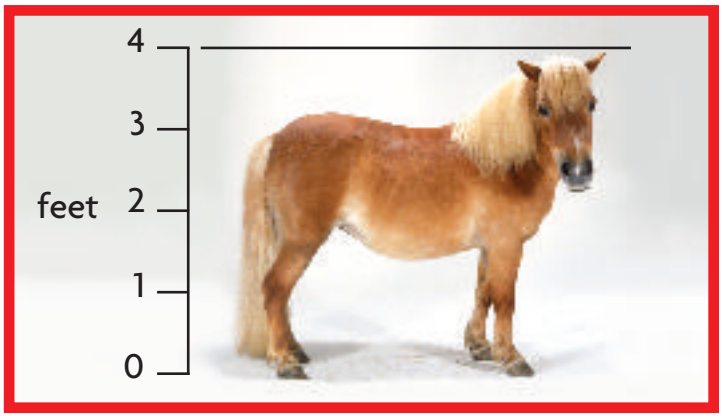
**camel**



**lizard**



**measure**



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turtle



zebras



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# What Can Numbers Show You?

You can count the legs on the duck. You can count the legs on the bear, too. Does the bear have more legs than the duck?



◀ The duck has two legs.

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You can compare the numbers. The numbers can show you how things are alike. The numbers can show you how things are different.



▲ The bear has four legs. Which is more, two or four? Four is more.

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How many monkeys do you count?
How many lions do you count?
You can compare the numbers.



▲ Four lions are more than two monkeys.

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You can count the seals. You can count the turtles, too. Compare the numbers.





▲ Five turtles are less than eight seals.

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# How Can You Compare?

How can you compare animals?
You can compare the colors.



▲ Both animals share colors.

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You can count the toes. A raccoon has toes. A lion has toes, too. Count the toes. Then compare the numbers.




raccoon




lion

▲ Five is greater than four.