Word Quest 1

List 12 · Animals

Vocabulary and example	Write it

animal n. /ˈænɪml/

a living thing that can move, like a dog, bird or fish

Family: animals **Use it with:** wild animals · farm animals

The panda is China's most famous **animal**.

bug n. /bʌg/

a small insect; also, a mistake in a computer program

Family: bugs **Use it with:** catch a bug · fix a bug **Tip:** I caught a bug can also mean "I got a cold".

There's a **bug** in my salad!

cat n. /kæt/

a small furry animal that people keep as a pet

Family: cats **Use it with:** feed the cat · a black cat

Our **cat** sleeps for sixteen hours a day.

chicken n. /ˈtʃɪkɪn/

a farm bird; also, its meat

Family: chickens **Use it with:** fried chicken · chicken soup **Tip:** As food it's uncountable: "some chicken".

Grandma keeps six **chickens**, so we always have fresh eggs.

dog n. /dɒg/

an animal that people keep as a pet or to guard a house

Family: dogs **Use it with:** walk the dog · a guide dog

My **dog** barks at every delivery rider.

dolphin n. /ˈdɒlfɪn/

a clever sea animal with a long nose that is friendly to people

Family: dolphins **Use it with:** a group of dolphins · swim with dolphins **Tip:** A dolphin is a mammal, not a fish.

A **dolphin** jumped out of the water next to our boat.

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duck n. /dʌk/

a water bird with a wide flat beak

Family: ducks **Use it with:** roast duck · feed the ducks **Tip:** As a verb, "duck" means bend down quickly: "Duck! A ball!"

Beijing roast **duck** is famous all over the world.

horse n. /hɔːs/

a big strong animal with a long face that people ride

Family: horses **Use it with:** ride a horse · on horseback

My cousin can ride a **horse** faster than anyone in our village.

lion n. /ˈlaɪən/

a large wild cat with yellow fur that lives in Africa

Family: lions **Use it with:** a lion cub · roar like a lion

The male **lion** has a big circle of hair round its head.

pet n. /pet/

an animal you keep at home and care for

Family: pets **Use it with:** keep a pet · a pet dog · pet shop

My **pet** is a turtle called Speedy.

rabbit n. /ˈræbɪt/

a small animal with long ears and a short tail

Family: rabbits **Use it with:** a white rabbit · a pet rabbit **Tip:** Rabbits are the animal of one year in the Chinese zodiac.

The **rabbit** ate all the carrots in our garden.

snake n. /sneɪk/

a long thin animal with no legs

Family: snakes **Use it with:** a poisonous snake · snake bite

We saw a **snake** on the path and walked back very slowly.

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spider n. /ˈspaɪdə/

a small animal with eight legs that makes webs

Family: spiders **Use it with:** spider web · a big spider **Tip:** Spiders are not insects: insects have six legs.

A **spider** made a web across our window.

tail n. /teɪl/

the part at the end of an animal's body

Family: tails **Use it with:** wag its tail · a long tail **Tip:** Sounds like "tale" (a story).

My dog wags his **tail** when I come home.

whale n. /weɪl/

a very large sea animal that breathes air

Family: whales **Use it with:** a blue whale · whale watching

The blue **whale** is the biggest animal ever.

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