

# Wiggly Word Snakes

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## Part A

A wiggly word snake containing the words: frog, hen, goose, fish, turkey, swan, cow, duck. The snake is surrounded by illustrations of these animals and empty rectangular boxes for labeling.

Illustrations and boxes:

- Top left: Chicken illustration, empty box below it.
- Top middle: Turkey illustration, empty box below it.
- Top right: Swan illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle left: Frog illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle middle: Goose illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle right: Cow illustration, empty box below it.
- Bottom left: Fish illustration, empty box below it.
- Bottom right: Duck illustration, empty box below it.

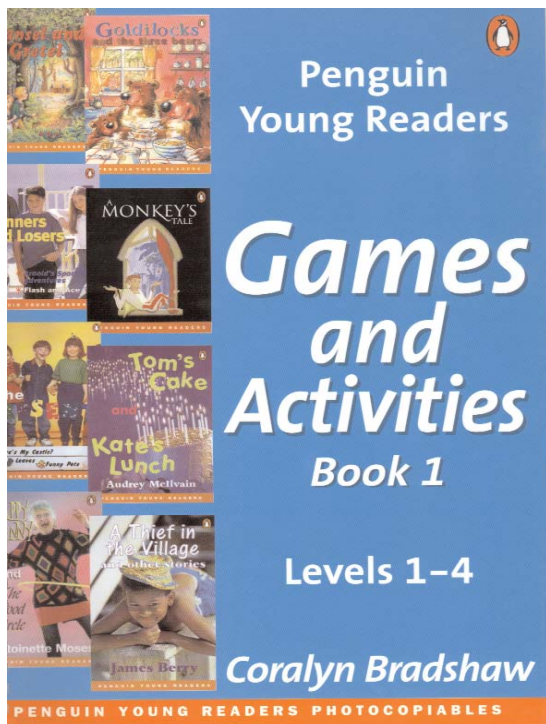


## Part B

A wiggly word snake containing the words: dog, butterfly, cat, beetle, dragonfly, ant, duckling, spider. The snake is surrounded by illustrations of these animals and insects and empty rectangular boxes for labeling.

Illustrations and boxes:

- Top left: Butterfly illustration, empty box below it.
- Top middle: Cat illustration, empty box below it.
- Top right: Spider illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle left: Dog illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle middle: Beetle illustration, empty box below it.
- Middle right: Dragonfly illustration, empty box below it.
- Bottom left: Duckling illustration, empty box below it.
- Bottom middle: Beetle illustration, empty box below it.



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## Wiggly Word Snakes

**Level:** 3 (American English/British English)

**Age:** 5 - 7

**Language:** Story vocabulary (frog, hen, goose, fish, turkey, swan, cow, duck, dog, butterfly, cat, beetle, dragonfly, ant, duckling, spider), word recognition and spelling reinforcement, letter formation and vocabulary expansion

**Topic:** Animals

**Time:** 15 - 20 minutes

**Materials:** Scissors, glue, coloured pencils, copies of the lesson material for half the number of pupils in the class, cut into Parts A and B, simple board drawings of the 16 animals in Parts A and B

### TEACHING PLAN

1. Put the pupils into pairs, give them a handout cut into two parts and explain that the two Wiggly Word Snakes have swallowed some words.
2. Tell the pupils to find the words, circle them, decide which picture belongs to each word and draw a line to it in the snake.
3. Encourage pupils to help each other.
4. Invite pupils to spell out the names or come to the board and write the name under each picture.
5. The pupils copy the name of the animal into the box below.
6. The pupils can colour the pictures and give the snake a name.

### Variation

For stage 4, write the names below the drawings, with a spelling mistake in most, but not all of them. Tell the pupils that you have forgotten your glasses today and ask them if they can help you to find the mistakes.

### Follow up

- Team spelling race on the board.
- Pupils group the animals into farm/countryside, those that like or do not like water and so on.
- Have a competition to make the biggest animal word web.