

Turtles



Turtles are reptiles. Reptiles have got scales and they lay eggs. They are cold- blooded animals. Their body temperature depends on environment. If it is too warm, the animal moves to the cooler place. For example, moving from sun to shade. If it is too cool, the animal moves to the warmer place. For example, moving from shade to sun.

Some turtles live on land, some turtles live in water. Some turtles are meat eaters, some turtles are plant eaters, but some – eat both - meat and plants. If the turtles live on land, they eat beetles, grass, fruit, mushrooms, leaves of bushes, berries. If they live in water, they eat algae, squids, jellyfish, shrimps, worms.

Turtles have got different size. The biggest turtle weights more than 900 kg.

They are very slow and strong. Their bodies are oval. Turtles lay their eggs on land. Turtles make their nests in the sand to hide their eggs.

The turtles have got a shell. A turtle's shell is part of its skeleton. The shell has got three parts. A turtle's shell grows as the turtle grows. Turtles can pull their head, legs and feet into their shell for protection. They have got five toes. These cold-blooded animals haven't got any teeth, but they can bite. They have got sharp claws. Turtles can see, hear and smell very well.

1 Translate. Iztulko.

reptile	scale
lay	cold-blooded
depends on	environment
move	cooler place
shade	live on land
beetle	shrimp
algae	squid
size	weight

nest	sand
grow	pull
protection	bite
hear	smell

2 Find out (atrod) in the story seven uncountable nouns (lietvārdi).

3 Change (pārvērt) the noun (lietvārds) into singular form (vienskaitlī).

teeth	toes
leaves	feet
bodies	beetles
bushes	are

4 Complete. Use articles a, an or no article.

__ scale __ egg __ water __ meat __ sand __ shrimp __ animal
__ environment __ shell __ bush __ reptile __ grass __ plant

5 Answer. Write short answer.

Is a turtle fast? _____	Is a turtle warm-blood animal? _____
Is turtle's body oval? _____	Are turtles plant eaters? _____
Have turtles got a shell? _____	Has the shell got two parts? _____
Have they got sharp claws? _____	Have turtles got four toes? _____
Can turtles pull their head? _____	Can turtles bite? _____
Can they attack? _____	Can turtles hear bad? _____

6 Put the words in order.

1 got turtles a have beak. _____

2 small head is their. _____

3 short turtle's tail is. _____

4 the sea in shrimps swim. _____

5 turtles are small some. _____

7 Create (izveido) 6 sentences. Use these words:

animals, ears, beetles, live on land, swim, hide

