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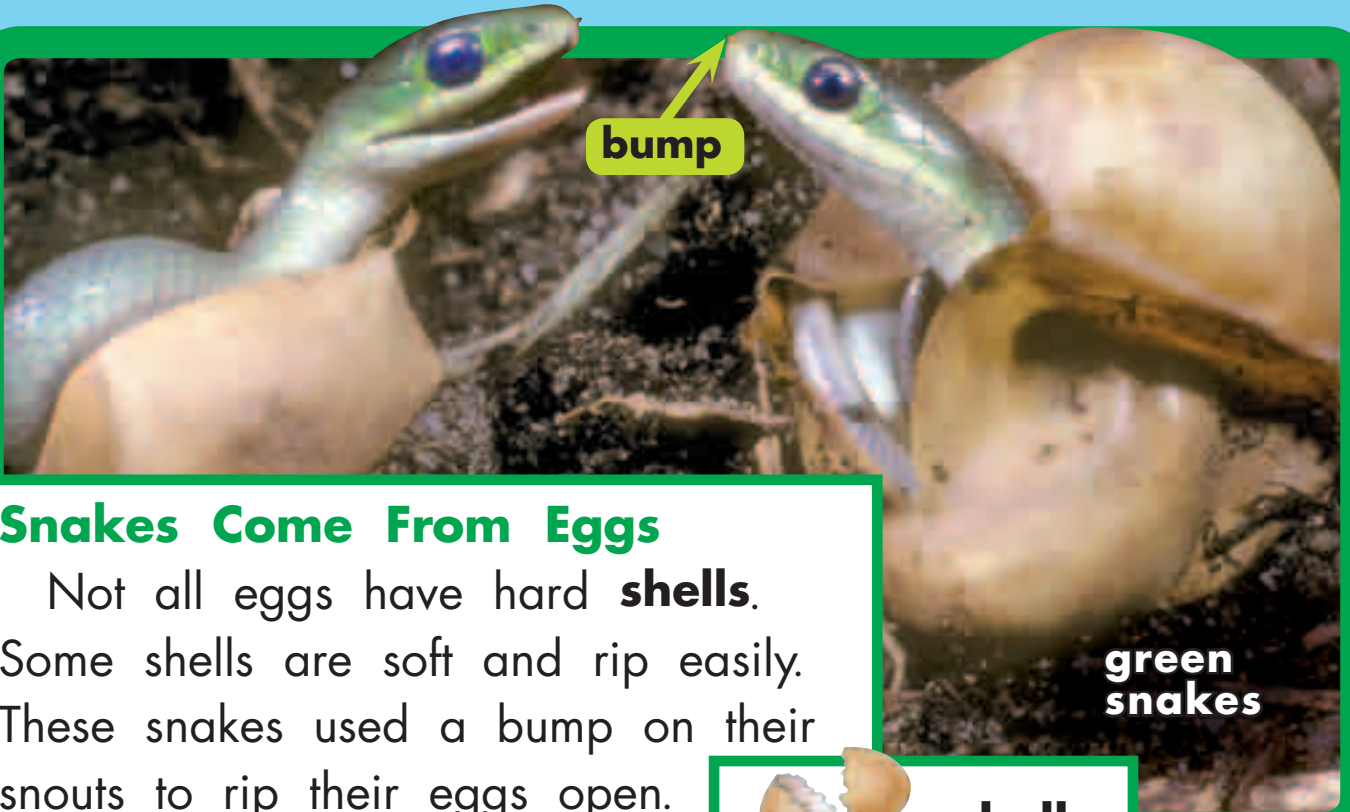
Eggs Aren't Just for the Birds!

You may know that birds **hatch** from eggs. Did you know that other animals do too? Let's see who else comes from eggs!



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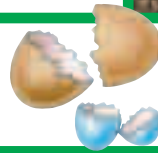
Egg-citing Egg Animals!



Snakes Come From Eggs

Not all eggs have hard **shells**. Some shells are soft and rip easily. These snakes used a bump on their snouts to rip their eggs open.

green snakes



shells



pierid butterfly

Butterflies Come From Eggs

This butterfly lays tiny yellow eggs. She lays them on a leaf. Soon, **caterpillars** will hatch. They will grow up to be butterflies.



caterpillars

Fish Come From Eggs

This fish dad has eggs in his **mouth**! Don't worry. He is not going to eat the eggs. He is keeping them safe until they hatch!



mouth



jawfish

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glass frog



Frogs Come From Eggs

Frog eggs are covered in jelly. The jelly helps keep the eggs from drying up. In a few days, **tadpoles** will come out. They will grow into frogs.



tadpoles

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Did You Know?

Most furry animals don't come from eggs. But the platypus does! Platypuses are **mammals**. Mammals are animals that have fur and feed milk to their babies. A platypus is one of the only mammals that lays eggs.



Platypuses have fur, a bill, and flippers.

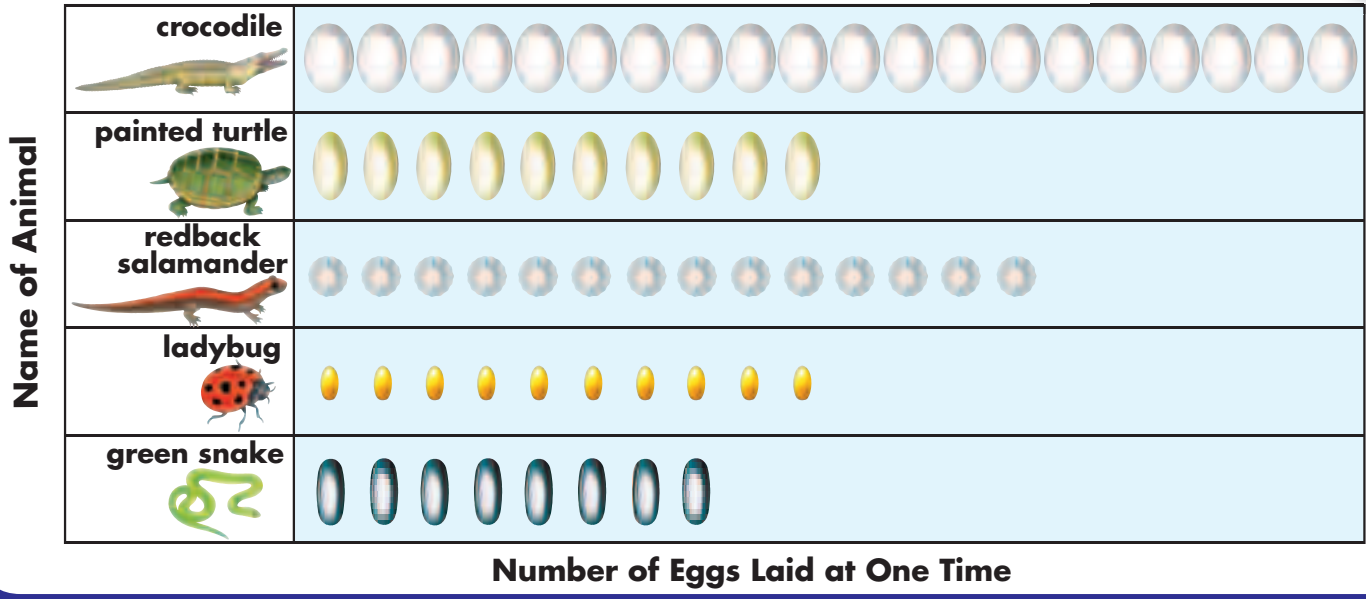
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How Many Eggs?

The graph shows how many eggs some animals usually lay. Look at the graph. Then, answer the questions below.



Egg Graph



1. How many eggs does a green snake lay? _____
2. Which animal lays the **most** eggs? _____
3. Which animal lays **fewer than** 10 eggs? _____
4. Which two animals lay the same number of eggs? _____



How many more eggs does a crocodile lay than a redback salamander? _____