

Animals are divided into two main groups. Animals that have a backbone (spine) are called vertebrates. Animals that don't have a backbone are called invertebrates. Vertebrates and invertebrates are divided into smaller groups. Vertebrates, for example, are divided into five groups: fish amphibians (like frogs and toads) reptiles (like snakes and lizards) birds mammals (like humans, dogs and dolphins) There are many different groups of invertebrates too. They include invertebrates which have: soft bodies such as jellyfish, worms and molluscs (like slugs and squids). hard bodies such as insects, crustaceans and spiders. / Subject Explorer / LearningCorner.co

- The child has learned that animals are divided into two main groups: vertebrates and invertebrates.
- They have also learned that vertebrates have a backbone (spine) while invertebrates do not.
- The child now knows that vertebrates are further divided into five groups: fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals.
- They have also learned about some examples of invertebrates with soft bodies and hard bodies.

For continued development, encourage the child to explore different types of vertebrates and invertebrates through books, videos, or even visits to zoos or aquariums. They can also try categorizing different animals they come across in their daily life as vertebrates or invertebrates.

### Book Recommendations

- [Animals: A Visual Encyclopedia](#) by DK: This book provides a comprehensive overview of various animals, including vertebrates and invertebrates, with stunning visuals and informative text.
- [What If You Had Animal Teeth?](#) by Sandra Markle: This interactive book explores the different types of teeth found in various animals, including vertebrates and invertebrates, and how they are adapted for their specific diets.
- [National Geographic Kids: Reptiles and Amphibians](#) by Catherine Hughes: This book introduces young readers to the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians, including their characteristics, habitats, and unique features.

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