

Corn Snake

Not all snakes are venomous; some are just down right corny! Slither over here to learn more.

Corn snakes are slender, orange or brownish-yellow snakes with a pattern of large, red blotches outlined in black down their backs.

The name corn snake originated from the similarity of these markings to the chequered pattern of kernels of corn.

Native to the United States, corn snakes can grow up to two meters in length and inhabit wooded groves, meadowlands, and rocky open areas.

What do you call a funny snake?
Hisssssterical.

Scientific Name:
Pantherophis guttatus

Class: Reptile

Lifespan: 6-8 years

Threats: Habitat destruction and accidental killing.

Distribution: North America

Habitat: Forests, rocky grassland and abandoned buildings.

Length: Up to 5 inches diameter

Weight: Around 1000 grams

Diet: Mice and other small mammals

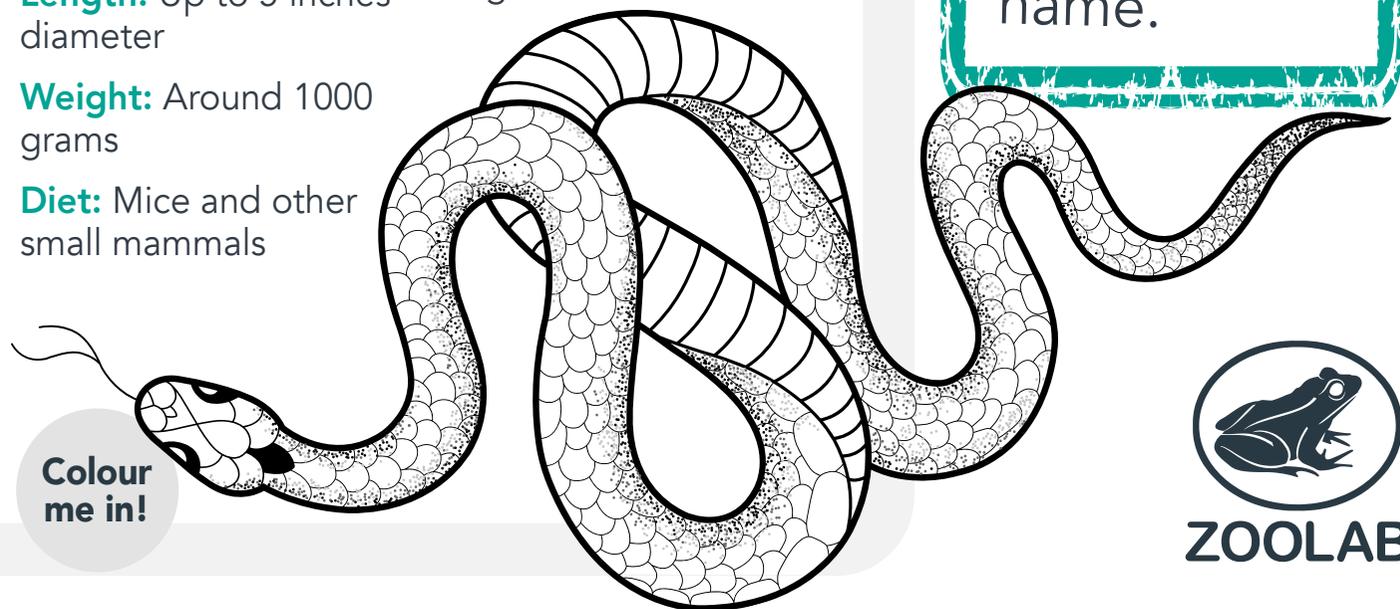
Housing: Vivarium

Things To Know: Corn Snakes need a vivarium to live in with aspen bedding on the floor of the tank.

They require a water bowl and branches for climbing. A shelter helps them to feel safe too.

The vivarium needs to be warm with a temperature of 75-80 degrees Fahrenheit.

FACT FILE:
The colour depends on their habitat as it provides camouflage. The belly of a corn snake looks like a kernel of Indian corn, hence the name.

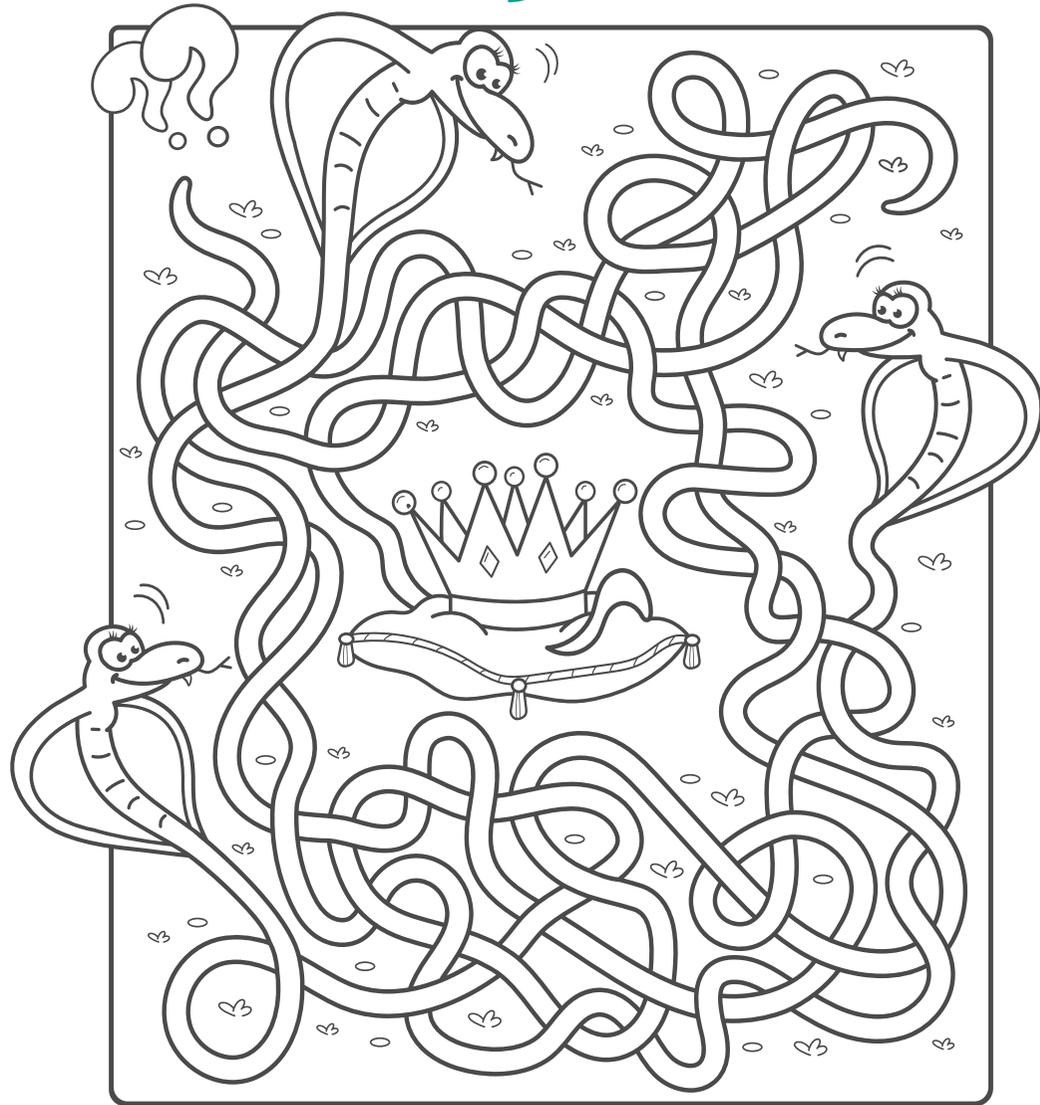


Colour me in!



ZOOLAB

Activity Sheet!



TASK

Follow the lines to find out which snake is the king cobra

TASK

Un-jumble the letters below to spell a snake related word.

CLUE: producing a toxic substance that causes injury

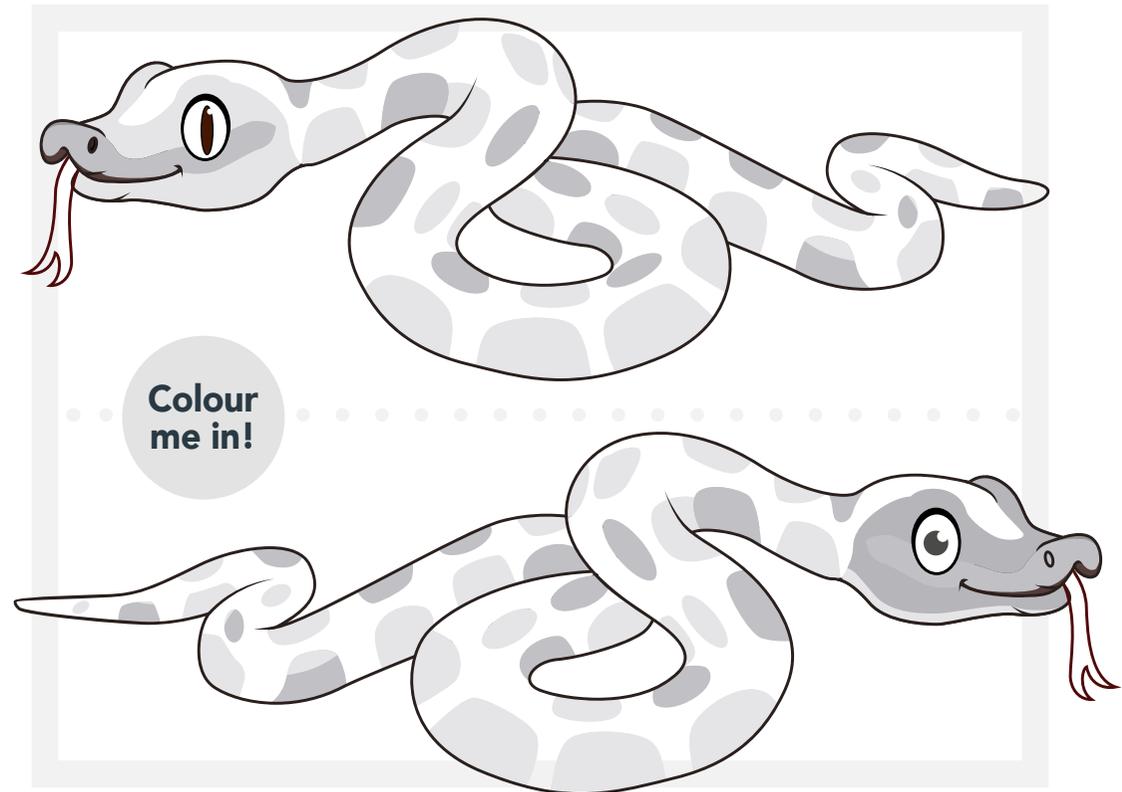
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CLUE: Some snakes get into a tight squeeze

N C C S T R I O T

TASK

Ssssspot the difference! Circle 5 differences between the images below



Crossword

ACROSS

1. A snakes teeth are called... (4)
2. When a snake loses its skin.
Also a place your parent might keep their tools. (4)
3. Some snakes have a venomous...(4)
4. Snakes, turtles, lizards, and crocodiles all belong to a group called...(8)

DOWN

1. A snake's tongue is described as being this shape (6).
2. To move easily across a surface while twisting or curving the body (7)
3. Snakes prefer warm environments because they are... (4,7)
4. A snake is covered in these. You might also practise these in music class. (6)

