

# Turtle Vocabulary

Grade 5 – Languages



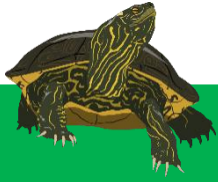
## Lesson Details

<b>Grade Level:</b>	5	<b>Curriculum Links:</b>	Languages	<b>Time Needed:</b>	30 minutes
<b>Learning Goal</b>	To be tested on and learn vocabulary related to turtles.				
<b>Success Criteria</b>	By the end of the lesson, students should be able to correctly spell and define vocabulary related to turtles.				
<b>Specific Expectations</b>	<p><i>Writing: Apply Knowledge of Language Conventions and Presenting Written Work Effectively</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spell familiar words correctly;</li> <li>• Spell unfamiliar words using a variety of strategies that involve understanding sound-symbol relationships, word structures, word meanings, and generalizations about spelling;</li> <li>• Confirm spellings and word meanings or word choice using a variety of recourses appropriate for the purpose.</li> </ul>				
<b>Materials Needed</b>	Worksheet (attached), Pencil.				

## Lesson Description

<b>Overview</b>	Read aloud the different words associated with turtles to the students and have them write down how they think the word is spelled. Students will then match a different set of words to their appropriate definition.
<b>Activity</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. One by one, read aloud the different words associated with turtles.</li> <li>2. After each word is read, have the students write down how they think each word is spelled on the attached worksheet.</li> <li>3. Students will then complete the rest of the worksheet independently.</li> </ol>
<b>Blacklist Masters</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worksheet (attached)</li> <li>• For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.turtleguardians.com/sample-page/">https://www.turtleguardians.com/sample-page/</a></li> </ul>
<b>Place-Based Learning</b>	Students are encouraged to visit a natural area and describe what they see, trying to find objects related to the words they were tested on.
<b>Inquiry-Based Learning</b>	<p>Using <b>Structured Inquiry</b>, the students will first listen to the words associated with turtles, then write down how they think the word is spelled.</p> <p>Ask the students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What words do you already know that are associated with turtles?</li> </ul>
<b>Turtle Stories</b>	<p>What words do you know that are associated with turtles? Have you seen these words/objects in nature? Visit a natural area, like a wetland, to try to find the words that you were just tested on. Students are encouraged to share their experiences, pictures, and worksheet on the Turtle Stories website, found here: <a href="https://www.turtlestories.ca/">https://www.turtlestories.ca/</a></p>
<b>Turtle Guardian Program Links</b>	<p>In <b>Level 1</b> (Ontario Turtle Identification) of the <b>Turtle Guardian Program</b>, students will learn how to identify all 8 species of Ontario's turtles and more information about them. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.turtleguardians.com/what-is-a-turtle-guardian/">https://www.turtleguardians.com/what-is-a-turtle-guardian/</a></p>

# My Notes



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## Spelling Test

1. **Omnivore** → An animal that eats both plants and meat.
  - a. A turtle is an *omnivore*.
2. **Conservation** → The preservation/protection of a species or resource.
  - a. The *conservation* of wetlands is important for turtles.
3. **Ectotherm** → A cold blooded animal.
  - a. A turtle is an *ectotherm*.
4. **Organism** → A living thing.
  - a. You can find turtles and other *organisms* in a wetland.
5. **Vertebrate** → An animal that has a backbone.
  - a. A turtle has a backbone, thus can be defined as a *vertebrate*.

## Circle the Correct Definition for Each Word

1. **Endangered**
  - a. Better than threatened but worse than extinct
  - b. Worse than threatened and better than extinct
  - c. The same thing as extinct
2. **Wetland**
  - a. A place with trees on dry land
  - b. The bottom of a river
  - c. A semi-aquatic area between land and water

### 3. Reptile

- a. An animal that produces milk and have scales
- b. Animals who are vegetarians and have scales
- c. Scaly animals which don't produce milk

### 4. Plastron

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### 5. Carnivore

- a. Animal that eats only meat
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### 6. Bioregion

- a. A geographic area that is defined by natural features like common species, watersheds, or terrain
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# Draw a Line Connecting the Correct Word to the Correct Definition



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Population

Prey

Specialist

Bask

Hatchling

Hibernation

Generalist

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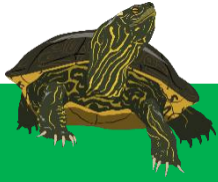
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