

# Reptiles

Reptiles:

- are **cold-blooded**,
- are **vertebrates**,
- have **lungs**,
- have **four legs**, some have **no legs**,
- have **scales**, no hair or fur and
- usually lay **eggs**, but sometimes give birth to **live young**.

My scales aren't slimy! Reptiles have dry skin. My scales are made of keratin. You'll find the same thing in your hair and fingernails.



I'm a Gila Monster, one of only 2 species of venomous lizard in the world! My cousin, the Mexican Beaded Lizard, is the other.



Saltwater Crocodiles are the largest reptiles alive today. Some can get as long as 7 metres.



Just because I live mostly in the water doesn't mean I'm an amphibian. When I was born I didn't have gills. I just looked like a smaller version of me.