



# BRITANNICA Summer Reading CHALLENGE

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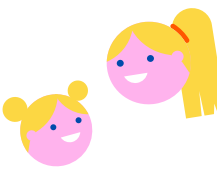



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# Summer Reading BINGO

Fill in the BINGO Board by completing reading challenges!

 <p>Read at a park</p>	 <p>Read in a tent or fort</p>	 <p>Read in your swimsuit</p>	 <p>Read to an animal</p>	 <p>Read under a tree</p>
 <p>Read a library book</p>	 <p>Read a book about summer</p>	 <p>Read on a sunny day</p>	 <p>Read about nature</p>	 <p>Read about animals</p>
 <p>Read about the Olympics</p>	 <p>Read about an adventure</p>	<p><b>Free Space!</b></p>	 <p>Read with a friend</p>	 <p>Read about cool places</p>
 <p>Read about important people</p>	 <p>Read about space</p>	 <p>Read before bed</p>	 <p>Read to a family member</p>	 <p>Read something new</p>
 <p>Read a menu</p>	 <p>Read at the library</p>	 <p>Read for 40 minutes</p>	 <p>Read a nonfiction book</p>	 <p>Read for 20 minutes</p>



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## Mad Libs: Amphibians and Reptiles

Fill in the passage with words from the word bank below. Feeling stuck? Take a look at **this** **Britannica School Animal Kingdom** feature for hints, then explore more fun facts about amphibians and reptiles.

Amphibians and \_\_\_\_\_ are two groups of \_\_\_\_\_ that share  
NOUN NOUN  
certain features. They are \_\_\_\_\_, meaning that they have a  
NOUN  
backbone, and they are \_\_\_\_\_. Being cold-blooded  
ADJECTIVE  
means that they rely on outside sources to keep them \_\_\_\_\_.  
ADJECTIVE  
They also \_\_\_\_\_ at least some of the time on land. Some \_\_\_\_\_  
VERB NOUN  
and reptiles even look alike, but the two groups \_\_\_\_\_ different in  
PLURAL VERB  
several ways. Reptiles have dry skin that is \_\_\_\_\_ at least partly  
ADJECTIVE  
with \_\_\_\_\_. Amphibians have \_\_\_\_\_ skin. Amphibians also  
NOUN ADJECTIVE  
spend a large part of their lives in the \_\_\_\_\_.  
NOUN

water  
covered  
live

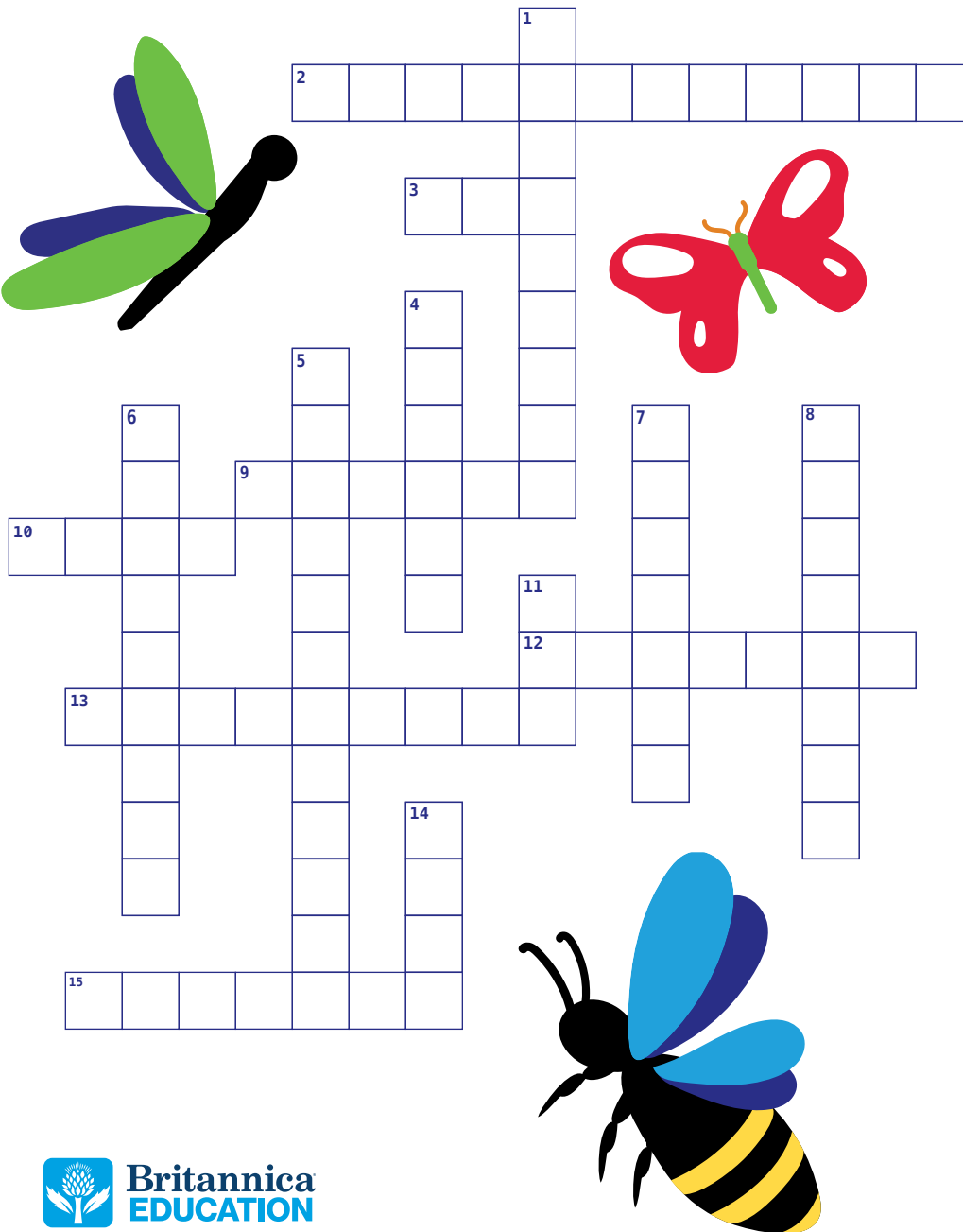
vertebrates  
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amphibians



# Summer Insects



## Down:

1. Known as glowworms before developing wings; light up summer nights in tropical places
4. Over 250,000 species and has hardened front wings, six legs, and two antennae on its head
5. Leaping insects found all over the world that can get up to more than 4 inches long
6. Tens of thousands of species; migrate thousands of miles to reach breeding grounds
7. Singing insects known for the loud noises they make during the summer
8. Female uses proboscis to pierce skin and suck human and animal blood to help eggs develop
11. Common insect; can spread diseases by carrying germs on their hairy bodies
14. Social and live in nests with queens, workers, and soldiers; capable of warlike behavior

## Across:

2. Twig-looking insect that grows to more than 12 inches long
3. Flying insect, often black with yellow or brown markings, and known for producing honey
9. Recognized for its still, unique hunting pose, which looks like it is praying
10. Generally active at night and spin cocoons out of silk
12. Type of beetle known for its bright colors, which protect them from being eaten by birds
13. Feeds on other insects; one of the insect world's deadliest hunters and fastest fliers
15. Type of grasshopper; fly in swarms and can eat more than their body weight in food



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# Summer Olympics Word Search

K S H C V O P E N I N G C E R E M O N Y  
 S T P M O O O L Y M P I A D W X J F P E  
 Y W R E W M E L Y V X U D M L C M L P T  
 F E A P C C P V V B S O P R E V F S A A  
 U Y A T A I F E I Z K J Q K J S T W N Q  
 M O W C H R A Q T Q Z F H I W P O I C F  
 E L N V H L A L C I B G Y G M W R M I M  
 D Y S I O I E L O E T O Z B W P C M E T  
 A M O S O L E T Y L L I G C U F H I N R  
 L P C Y P S L V E M Y E O P Q L O N T A  
 I I C I D O P E E S P M B N M R A G G C  
 G C E H G L R L Y M K I P R W Q Y O R K  
 Q S R T L N V T T B E T C I A W G K E A  
 O W R E S T L I N G A N E S C T O F E N  
 S F Q I X A S Q N Q G L T N J S I N C D  
 V U C O U N T R Y O G A L S N H N O E F  
 D G M G R W D Y K Z Y B W Z B I N R N I  
 B O C M Q Q P A R I S S V A M K S M X E  
 Z L B S E J T D A A F A F O X M Z T D L  
 T D F E N R G Y M N A S T I C S Y E F D

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Paralympics

Gymnastics

Athletes

Summer

Sport

Games

Soccer

Volleyball

Ancient Greece

Swimming

Competition

Olympics

Torch

Opening Ceremony

Achievements

Celebration

Wrestling

Country

Tennis

Olympiad

Medal

Gold

Paris



## Summer Olympics Word Search - Elementary

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 X M G R J A T H L E T E S F G S G U V C  
 J E R B T K C O D S W G A M G G A M E S  
 V D Z K H B T Q J M G G Q Y Y I K H I U  
 G A O P R U X F W B Z C O U N T R Y L M  
 O L E G K F A N C I E N T G R E E C E M  
 L S T R A C K A N D F I E L D R D F I E  
 D N Y A C H I E V E M E N T S Z G O W R  
 Z T H R S P E C I A L O L Y M P I C S I  
 A T F E F W I A O G Y M N A S T I C S C  
 D K N H Q L N W R E S T L I N G J N R O  
 O P E N I N G C E R E M O N Y V E S Y M  
 P A R I S X M O L Y M P I C S J S C B P  
 V O L L E Y B A L L W B Z L Z H W T J E  
 S O L Y M P I A D V X V I U U Z I E Z T  
 O T U S J K H Z P Y C T G Y R E M N D I  
 C W C G J P A R A L Y M P I C S M N A T  
 C C C D A C E L E B R A T I O N I I W I  
 E V T O R C H O V M C E C L M R N S L O  
 R K A J K A R X H E M K T D K J G G F N

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Click the name of each insect to go to their Britannica School article!

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1. **Fireflies** - Known as glowworms before developing wings; light up summer nights in tropical places

4. **Beetle** - Over 250,000 species and has hardened front wings, six legs, and two antennae on its head

5. **Grasshoppers** - Leaping insects found all over the world that can get up to more than 4 inches long

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9. **Mantis** - Recognized for its still, unique hunting pose, which looks like it is praying

10. **Moth** - Generally active at night and spin cocoons out of silk

12. **Lady Bug** - Type of beetle known for its bright colors, which protect them from being eaten by birds

13. **Dragonfly** - Feeds on other insects; one of the insect world's deadliest hunters and fastest fliers

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## Summer Insects - Answer Key





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PLURAL VERB different in several ways. Reptiles have dry skin that is COVERED  
ADJECTIVE at least partly with SCALES  
NOUN. Amphibians have MOIST  
ADJECTIVE skin. Amphibians also spend a large part of their lives in the WATER  
NOUN.

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 V D Z K H B T Q J M G G Q Y Y I K H I U  
 G A O P R U X F W B Z C O U N T R Y L M  
 O L E G K F A N C I E N T G R E E C E M  
 L S T R A C K A N D F I E L D R D F I E  
 D N Y A C H I E V E M E N T S Z G O W R  
 Z T H R S P E C I A L O L Y M P I C S I  
 A T F E F W I A O G Y M N A S T I C S C  
 D K N H Q L N W R E S T L I N G J N R O  
 O P E N I N G C E R E M O N Y V E S Y M  
 P A R I S X M O L Y M P I C S J S C B P  
 V O L L E Y B A L L W B Z L Z H W T J E  
 S O L Y M P I A D V X V I U U Z I E Z T  
 O T U S J K H Z P Y C T G Y R E M N D I  
 C W C G J P A R A L Y M P I C S M N A T  
 C C C D A C E L E B R A T I O N I I W I  
 E V T O R C H O V M C E C L M R N S L O  
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