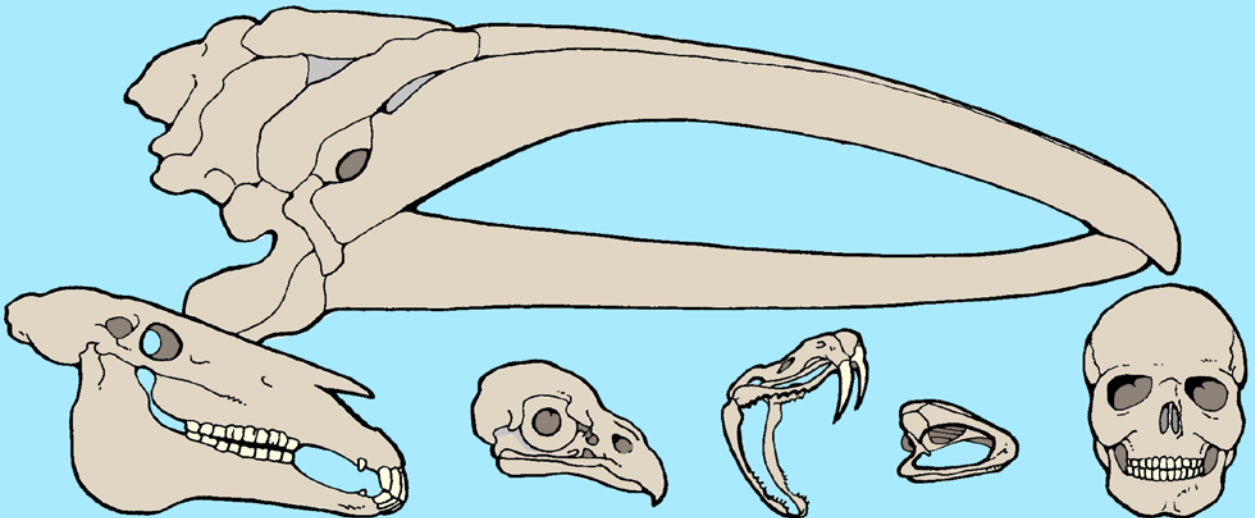


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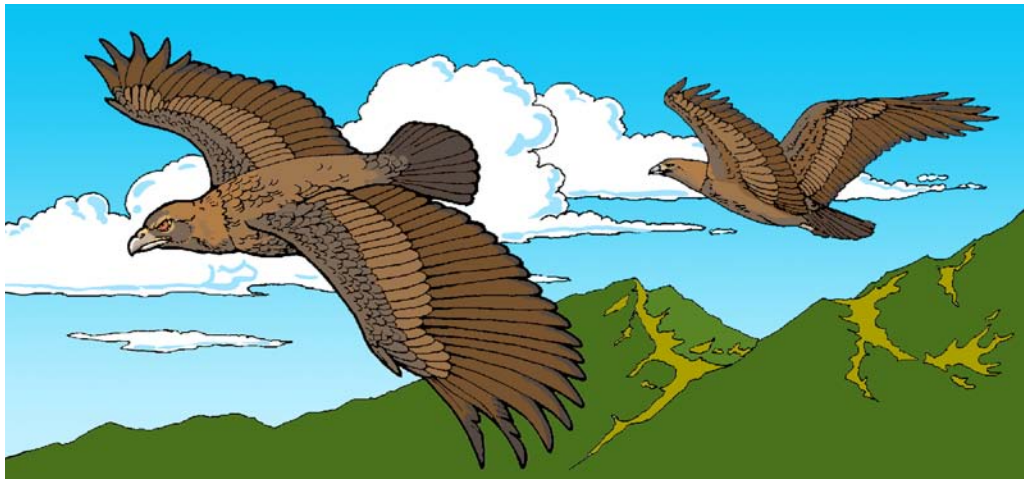


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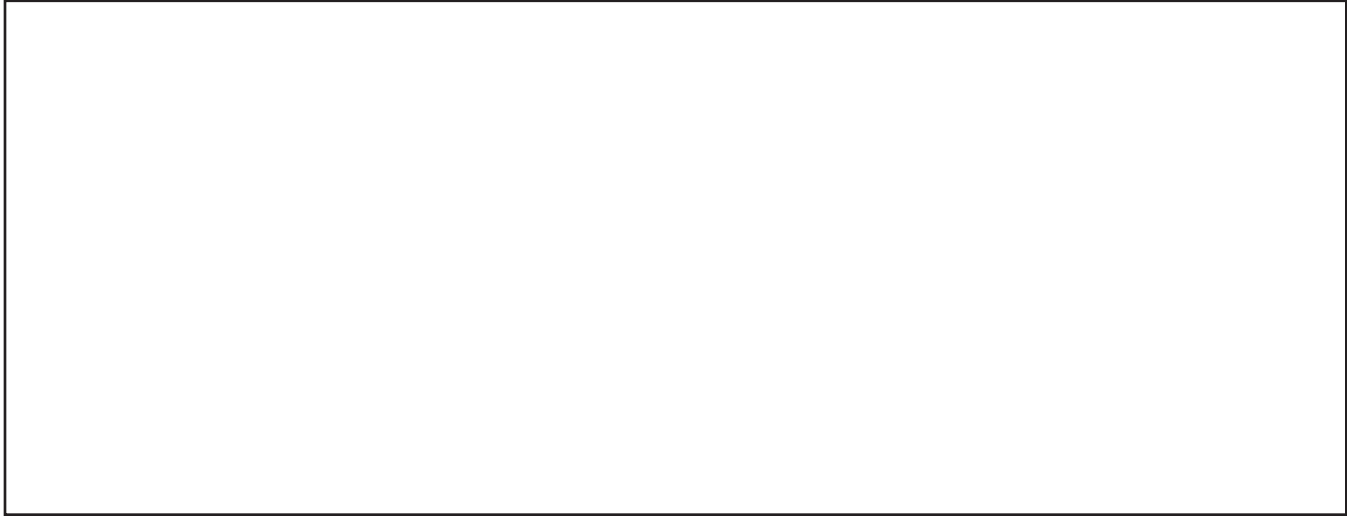
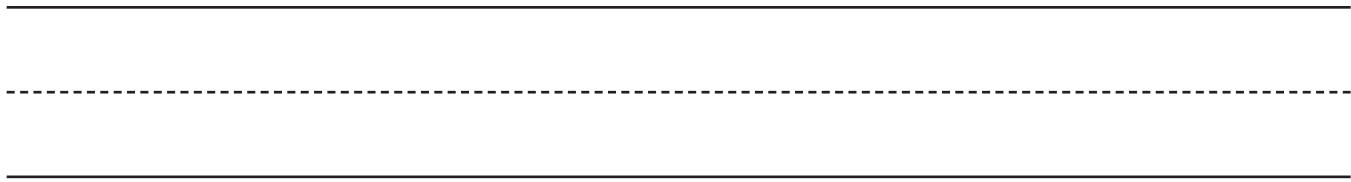
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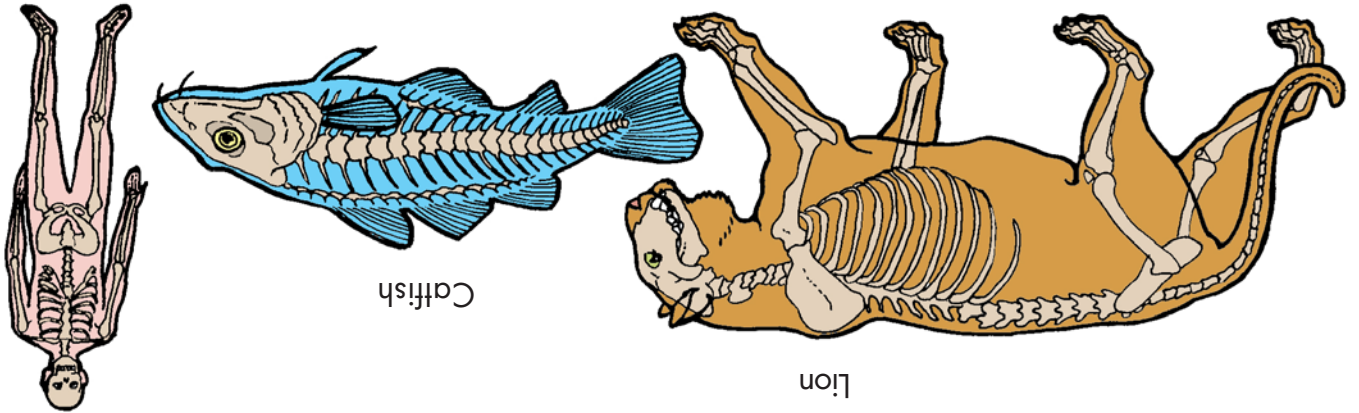
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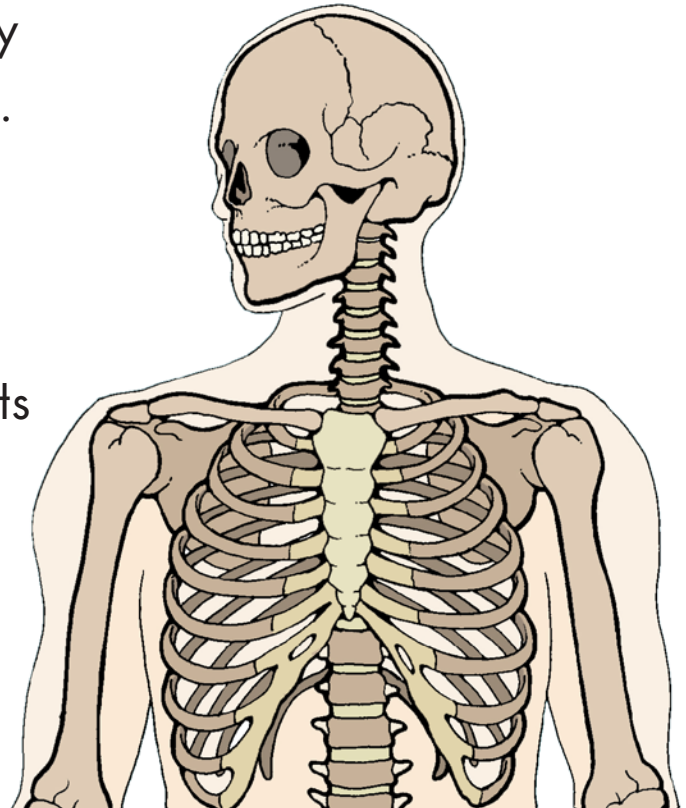
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And so do you.

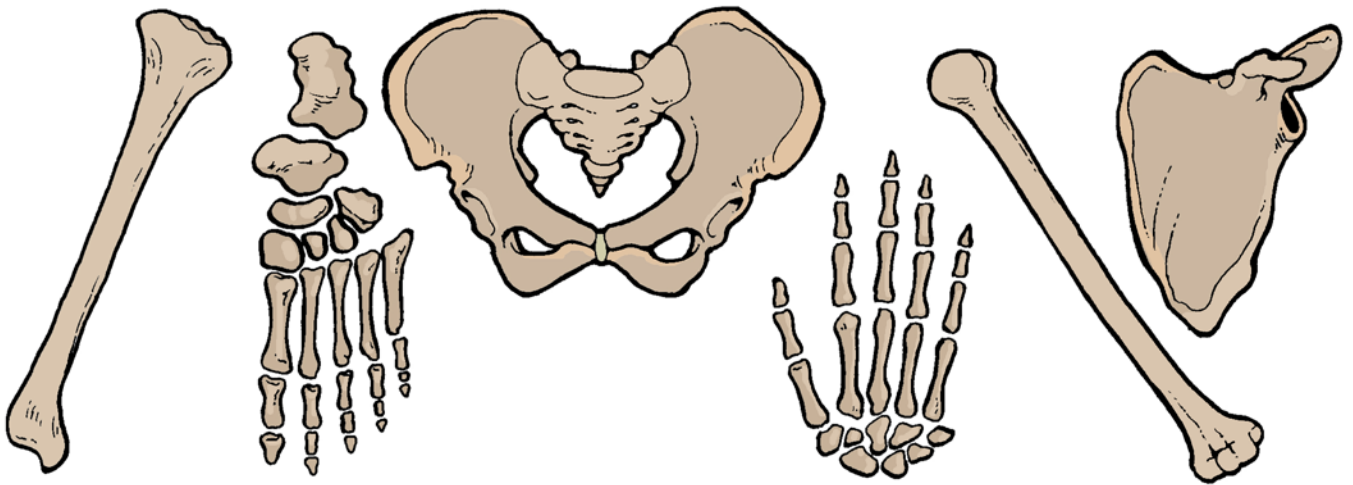
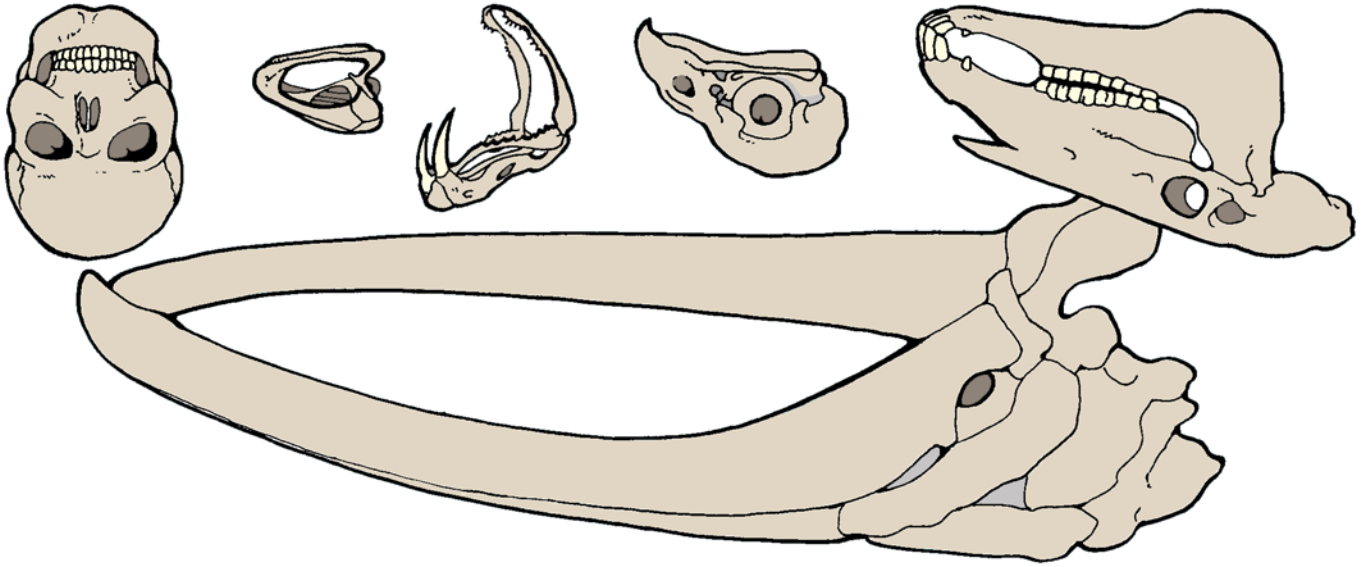
Each animal's skeleton is perfect for the way it lives.  
 It has the right kind of skeleton for the support it needs.  
 It has the right kind of skeleton for the way it moves.



The bones in your body  
 make up your skeleton.  
 You have 206 bones.  
 Bones give your body  
 shape and support.  
 They keep the soft parts  
 inside you safe.



Look at these skulls, or head bones.  
 These are the skulls of the animals in this book.  
 Look at how their shapes and parts are different.



Bones come in many shapes and sizes.

Your arms and legs are long bones.

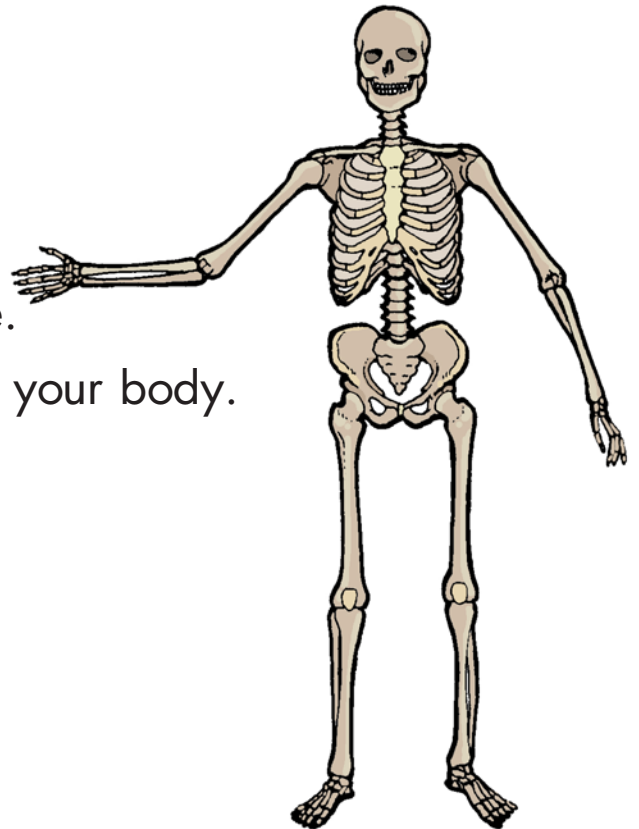
Your pelvis and shoulder blades are flat bones.

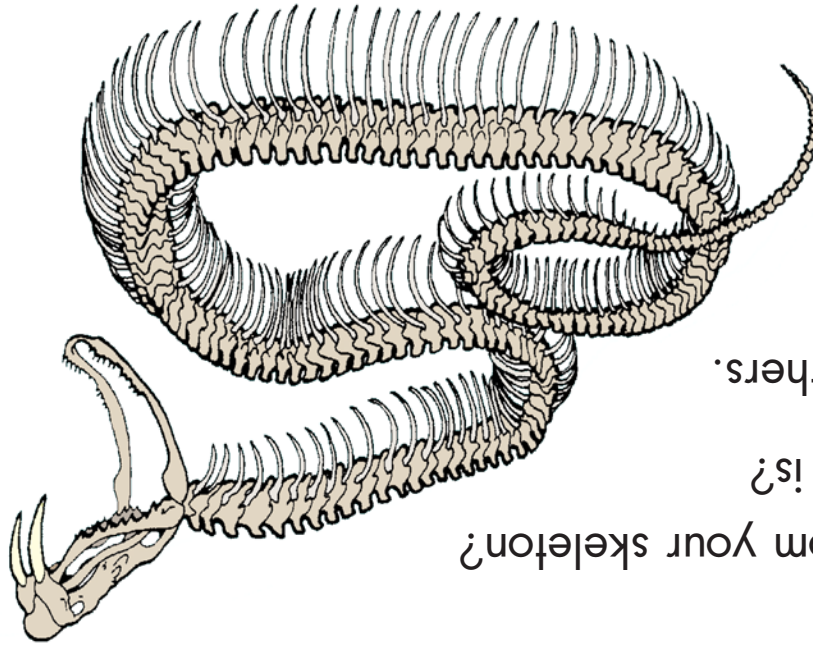
The bones in your wrists, hands, ankles, and feet are small.

It's a snake.  
It has no arms or legs.  
Its skeleton is one long backbone with ribs.



This is what your skeleton looks like.  
Look at the many kinds of bones in your body.



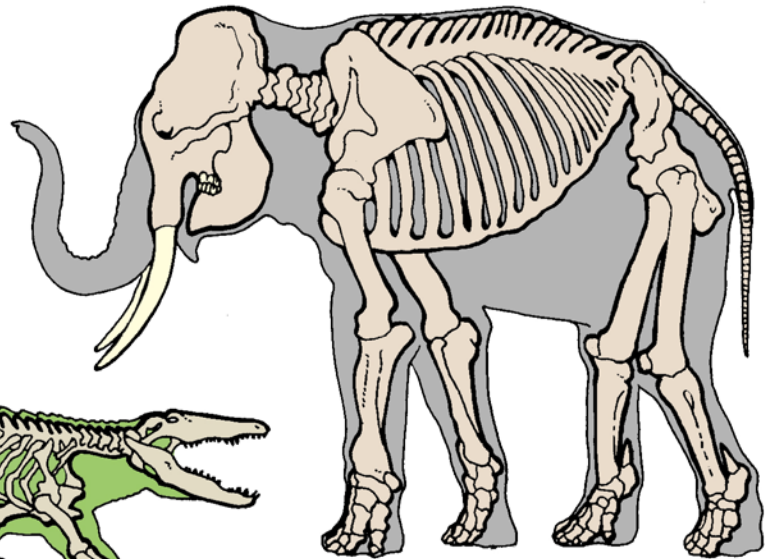


Look at this skeleton.  
How is it different from your skeleton?  
Do you know what it is?  
CLUE: This animal slithers.

Other animals have skeletons, too.  
Each animal's skeleton is different.



Alligator



Elephant

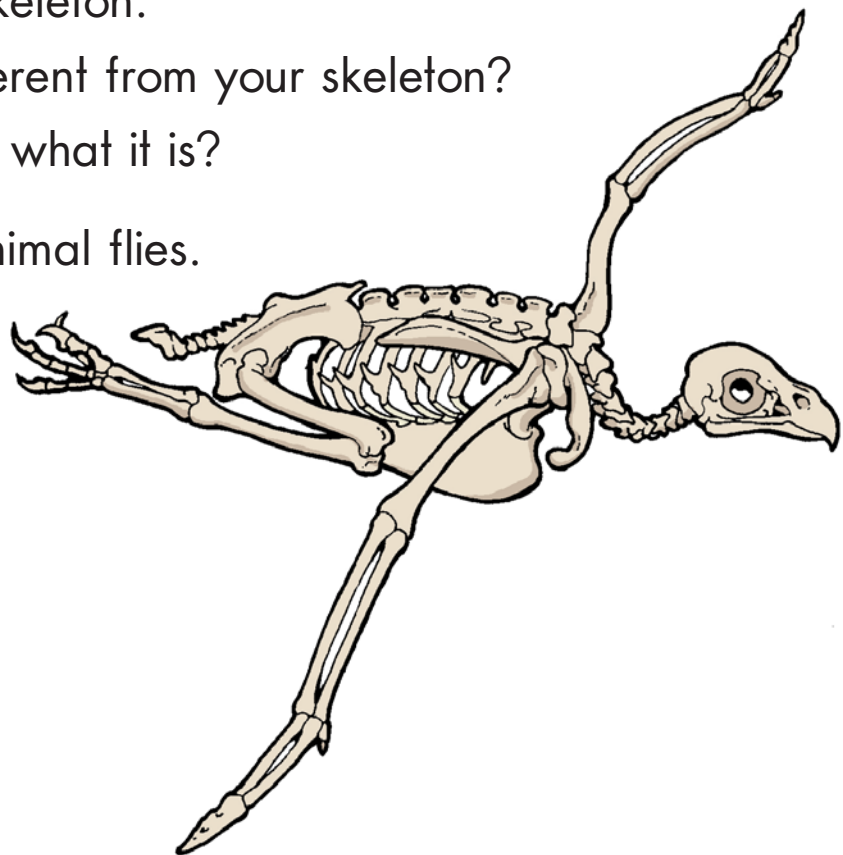
Some are short, some are tall,  
some are light, and some are strong.



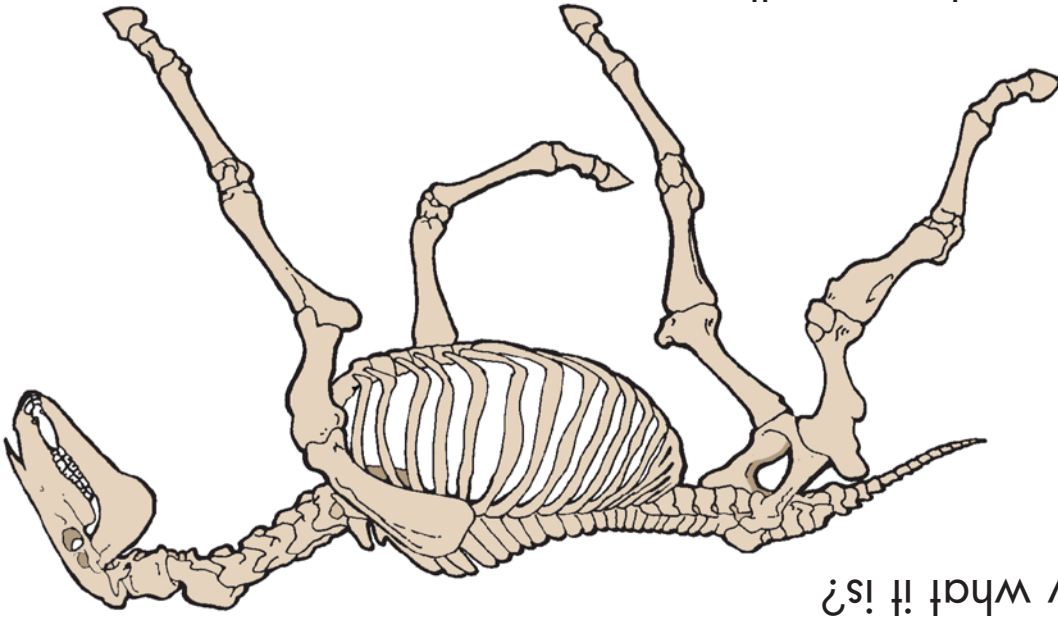
It's a horse.  
 It has long legs for running.  
 A horse has a large rib cage to keep its large lungs safe.  
 It needs large lungs to take in lots of air when it runs.



Look at this skeleton.  
 How is it different from your skeleton?  
 Do you know what it is?  
 CLUE: This animal flies.



CLUE: This animal runs well.

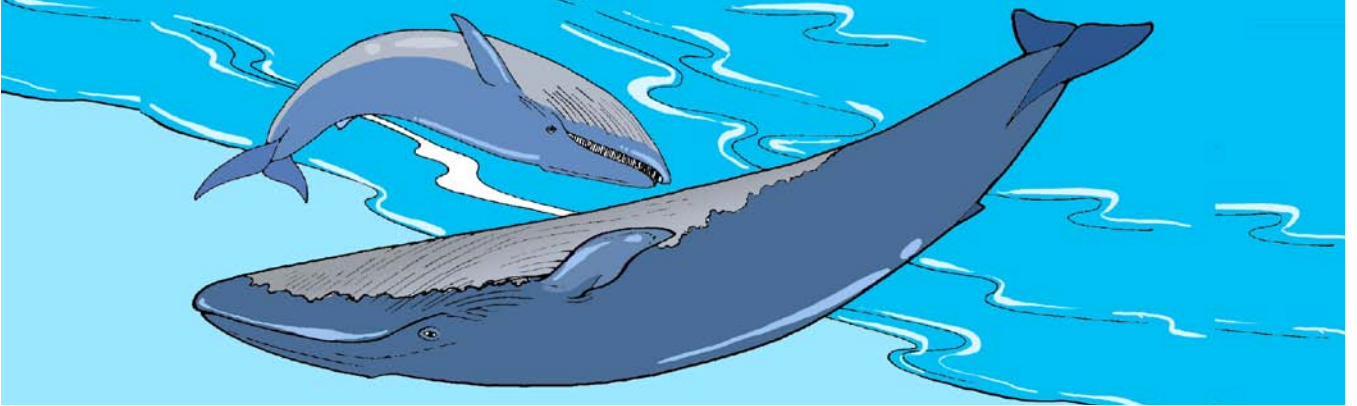


Look at this skeleton.  
How is it different from your skeleton?  
Do you know what it is?



It's an eagle.  
Its bones are hollow and light.  
Wing feathers attach to the wing bones.

It's a blue whale.  
 It has no leg bones. Its arms are flippers.  
 Whales are supported by the water.  
 If a whale lived on land,  
 its skeleton would have to be much stronger.

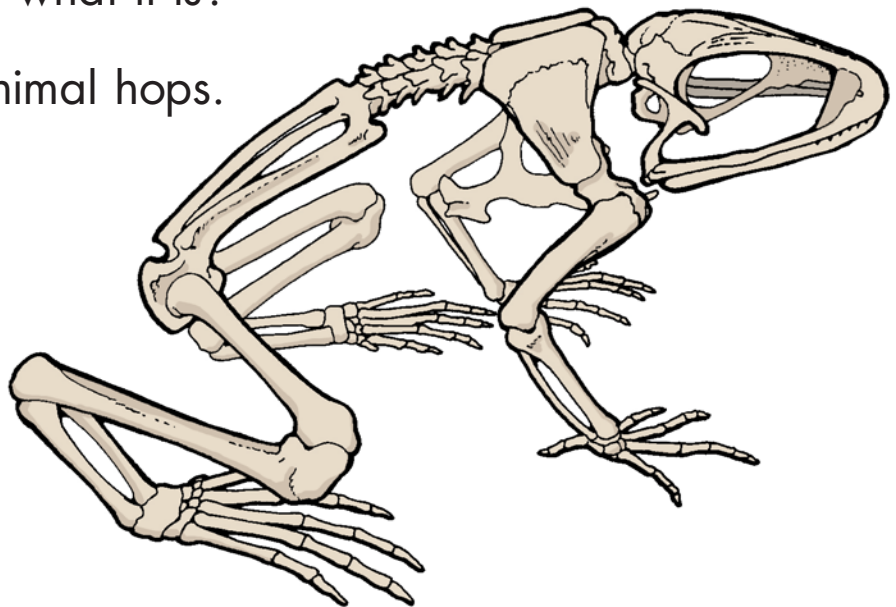


Look at this skeleton.

How is it different from your skeleton?

Do you know what it is?

CLUE: This animal hops.

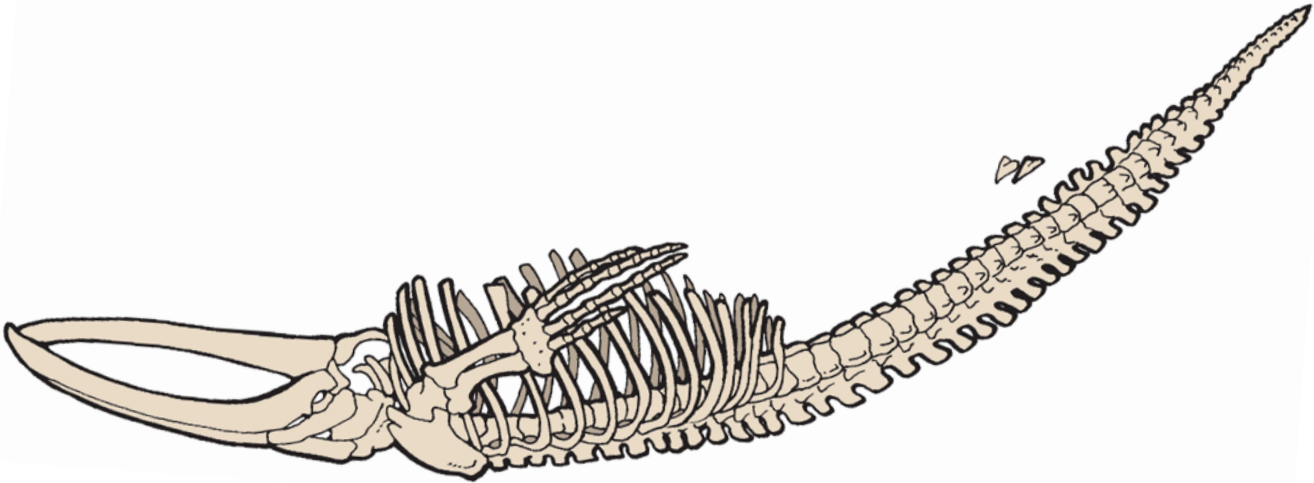


CLUE: This animal swims.

Do you know what it is?

How is it different from your skeleton?

Look at this skeleton.



It's a frog.

It has long back legs for hopping.

Its back legs are longer than its body.