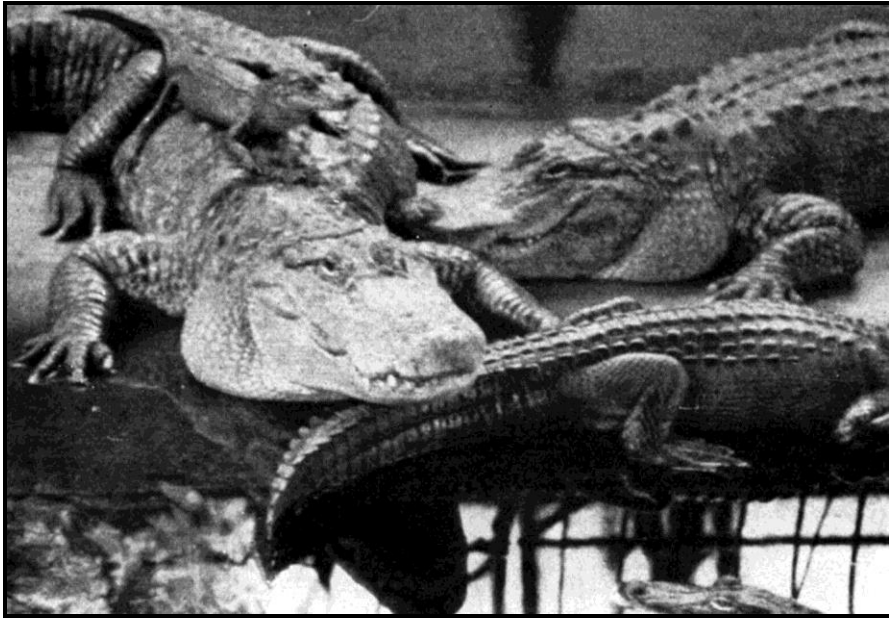


American Alligator Fact Sheet



Below are some good questions to ask about reptiles. Ask your teacher these questions about the American alligator and fill out the answers:

What kind of reptile is it?

Where is it found?

What habitat does it like?

How big is it?

Is it venomous?

Is it a carnivore, herbivore, or omnivore?

What does it eat?

Is it endangered?

Teacher Fact Sheet About American Alligators:

(These facts come from

<http://nationalzoo.si.edu/Animals/ReptilesAmphibians/Facts/FactSheets/Americanalligator.cfm>)

The teacher should give each student an American alligator fact sheet that lists questions to ask. Students will ask the teacher questions about alligators. The answers to the questions are below:

American alligators are crocodylians.

It's found in the southern United States.

It lives in rivers, swamps, and lakes.

The average size is about 3 meters. (Males average about 3.4 meters and females average about 2.6 meters).

It is not venomous.

It is a carnivore.

It eats fish, turtles, and birds. (And other things such as small mammals!)

It is not endangered. (Though it was at one time!)

Next the teacher gives the students a table to fill out and an animal to describe to other students. Students ask the same questions about the other animals.