

SUGGESTED READINGS

Behler, J. L. (1999). *National Audubon Society First Field Guide REPTILES*. New York, NY: Scholastic Inc.

This field guide of reptiles provides information on a wide variety of reptiles. An index search on Southern Alligator Lizard provides information on physical descriptions, habitat and range of *Elgaria multicarinata*. Information on the Western Skink is also covered in this book.

Llewellyn, C. (2011). *Explorers Reptiles*. New York, NY: Kingfisher.

Habitats and diets of various reptiles are examined in this easy to follow information book which includes color-coded buttons for easy reference of; evolution, habitats, plants, and record breakers.

Wright-Frierson, V. (1998). *A Desert Scrapbook Dawn To Dusk In The Sonoran Desert*. New York, NY: Aladdin Paperbacks.

Follow the day of an artist as she observes the animals and plants in the Sonoran desert. The attractive illustrations show the artist sketching, painting, and writing to record all that she sees. This is a good introduction into habitats.

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Parker, S. (2006). *Pump it up*. Chicago, IL: Raintree

This book is a great informational, nonfiction book about the human body. It talks about a lot of the different systems of the body and goes in depth about the heart, which fits this lesson perfectly. It explains what the does and provides colorful visuals and diagrams to help enhance understanding of how the heart pumps throughout the body. It also talks about why the heart beats faster during some activities than others, which is another tie-in with the activity in this lesson.

Stewart, D. (2008). *How your body works: A good look inside your insides*. New York, NY: Scholastic

This nonfiction book is at a basic reading level so even struggling readers or English language learners could comprehend the text. It has easy to understand diagrams that show how each system in the body works. The page titles “What Does My Heart Do?” would work well for this lesson as it has a short description along with colorful illustrations that diagram the moving of blood throughout your body.

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Hutchins, M. (2003). *Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia, Vol. 7:Reptiles*. 2nd Edition.

Farmington Hills, MI: Cengage Gale.

Comprehensive encyclopedia of life and internal structures and systems of reptiles.

Diagrams show lizard skull, internal organs, and lungs of lizards.

Jakab, C. (2007). *Our Body Respiratory System*. North Mankato, MN: Smart Apple Media

Anatomy and physiology of the human respiratory system is explored through information, diagrams and suggested activities.

http://users.rcn.com/jkimball.ma.ultranet/BiologyPages/V/VertebrateLungs.html#Reptile_Lungs

Kimball's Biology Pages is an online biology textbook with extensive information on animals, their behavior, cell biology and chemistry. This direct link gives information on reptile lungs and may be a good extension site for students.