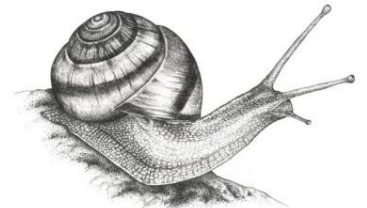
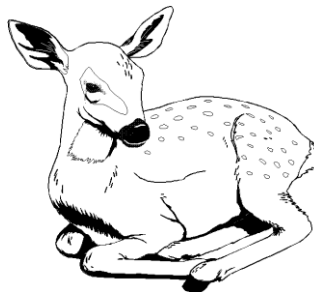
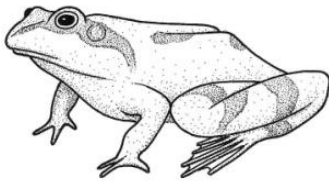
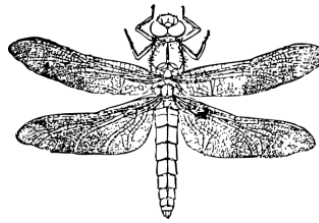


Marvelous Mammals!

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Invertebrates - animals that **do not** have backbones (put a around these animals!)



Brainstorm with your friends! What are the benefits of having a backbone?



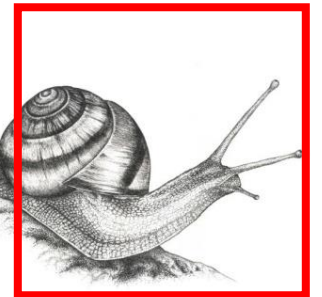
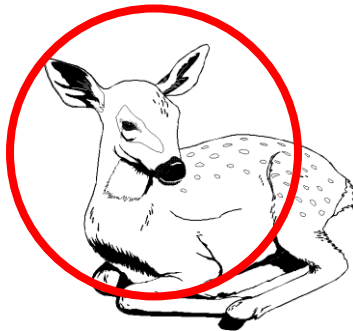
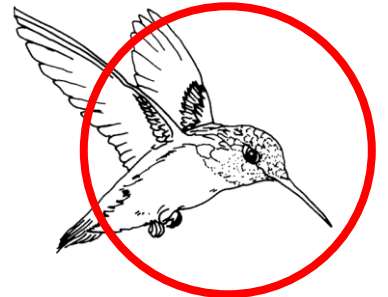
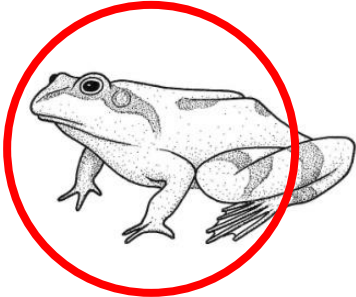
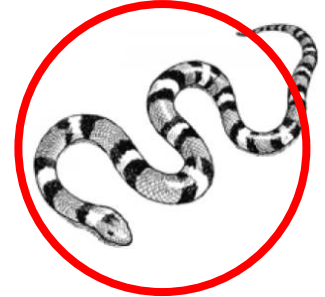
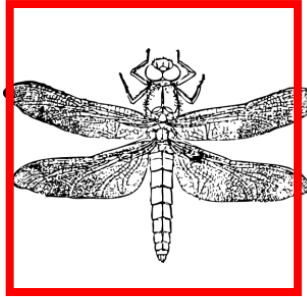
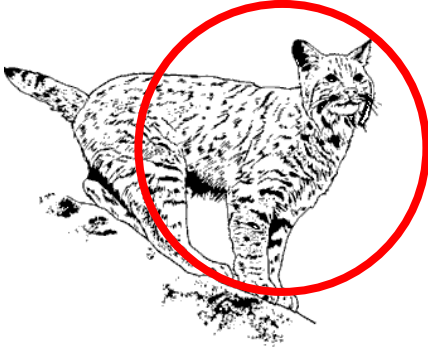
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Marvelous Mammals! ANSWERS

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***Answers will vary.**

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A backbone helps hold the body upright so animals can walk, like humans!