

SCIENTIFIC NAME GAME – REPTILES

Beaded Lizard
Burmese Python
Cottonmouth
American Alligator

King Cobra
Alligator Snapping Turtle
Hinge-Back Tortoise
Desert Sidewinder

Piebald Chuckwalla
Timber Rattlesnake
Aldabran Tortoise
Green Anaconda

Heloderma horridum
helos (GR) a nail, *derma* (Gr) the skin,
horridum (L) rough
“rough, nail-like skin”

Kinixys erosa
kineo (Gr) I move, *ixus* (Gr) the back
erosa (L) eaten into
“one that is eaten into with a back that moves”

Agkistrodon piscivorus
agkistron (Gr) a fishhook, *odon* (Gr) a
tooth, *piscis* (L) a fish, *voro* (L) I eat
“a fish-eater with fishhook teeth”

Crotalus cerastes
krotalon (Gr) a rattle, a little bell, *cerastes*
(L) horned serpent
“a horned serpent with a rattle”

Eunectes murinus
eu- (Gr) well or nicely, *nektes*(Gr) a
swimmer, *murinus* (L) mouse-colored
“a mouse-colored good swimmer”

Geochelonia gigantea
ge (Gr) the earth, *khelone* (Gr) a tortoise,
gigas (Gr) genitive *gigantos* a giant
“a giant earth tortoise”

Macrolemmys temminckii
makros (Gr) long, large, *khelus* (Gr) a
tortoise, *temminckii* named after
Professor C.J. Temminck
“Temminck’s long, large tortoise”

Alligator mississippiensis
el legarto (Sp) a lizard, *mississippi* (Eng) a
state name, *ensis* (L) belonging to
“a lizard belonging to Mississippi”

Sauromelas varius
saura (Gr) a lizard, *omalos* (Gr) level,
flat, *varius* (L) different
“a different flat lizard”

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vitt (L) ribbon, *atus* (L) provided with
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SCIENTIFIC NAME GAME – MAMMALS

Ring-Tailed Lemur
 Pygmy Marmoset
 Giraffe
 Greater Kudu

Ruffed Lemur
 Red Panda
 Black Rhinoceros
 Asian Small-Clawed Otter

Orangutan
 Cheetach
 Maned Wolf
 Asian Elephant

Tragelaphus strepsiceros
tragos (Gr) a he-goat, *elaphos* (Gr)
 a deer, *strepis* (Gr) twisting, *keras*
 (Gr) a horn
 “a goat-like deer with twisting horns”

Elephas maximus
Elephas (L) one who labors, *maximus*
 (L) large,
 “a large one who labors”

Giraffa camelopardalis
camelus (L) a camel, *pardus* (L) a
 leopard, *-alis* (L) like
 “a camel marked like a leopard”

Chrysocyon brachyurus
khrosos (Gr) golden, *kuon* (Gr) a dog,
oura (Gr) the tail
 “short-tailed golden dog”

Acinonyx jubatus
a- (Gr) not, *kineo* (Gr) I move,
onux (Gr) a claw, *jubatus* (L)
 maned
 “one that is maned with non-moving
 claws”

Lemur catta
Lemures (L) ghosts, *catta* (L) a cat
 “a cat-like ghost”

Diceros bicornis
Di (Gr) two, double, *keras* (Gr) a horn, *bi*
 (L) two, *cornu* (L) the horn of an animal
 “a two-horned two horn”

Aonyx cinerea
A (Gr) without, *onux* (Gr) a claw,
cineria (L) ash-colored
 “ash-colored without claws”

Pongo pygmaeus
mpongi (Congolese) forest-man,
pugmaios (Gr) small
 “small forest man”

Ailurus fulgens
Ail (Gr) cat, *urus* (Gr) broad,
fulgens (L) shining
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SCIENTIFIC NAME GAME—BIRDS

Roseate Spoonbill

Brown Pelican

Green–Winged Macaw

Laughing Kookaburra

Greater Flamingo

Ostrich

Barn Owl

Swainson’s Toucan

Saddle-Billed Stork

Cape Thick-Knee

Cinereous Vulture

Lady Ross’s Turaco

Burhinus capensis

bous (Gr) an ox, *rhis* (Gr) the nose,

-ensis (L) belonging to

“a bull nose belonging to the Cape”

(referring to the Cape of South Africa)

Musophaga rossae

musa (New L) a banana or plaintain

phagema (Gr) food, *rossae* named

after Lady J.C. Anne Ross

“Lady Ross’s banana eater”

Ajaia ajaja

ajaja is the South American native

name for this bird

“a bird native to South America”

Pelecanus occidentalis

pelecanus (L) a pelican, *occidentalis*

(L) western

“a pelican from the west”

Struthio camelus

struthio (L) an ostrich, *camelus* (L) a

camel

“a camel-like ostrich”

Tyto alba

tuto (Gr) a night-owl, *albus* (L)

white

“a white night-owl”

Phoenicopterus ruber

phoinix (Gr) deep purple or crimson,

pteron (Gr) feathers, *ruber* (L)

red

“a red-feathered red”

Dacelo novaeguineae

alcedo (L) a kingfisher,

novaeguineae (new L) inhabiting

New Guinea

“a kingfisher inhabiting New Guinea”

Ara chloroptera

ara (new L) a macaw, *khloros* (Gr) green,

pteron (Gr) wings

“a macaw with green wings”

Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis

ephippios (Gr) a saddle, *rhunkhos*

(L) the beak, *-ensis* (L) belonging to

“one with a saddle beak belonging to

Senegal”

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Saddle-Billed Stork