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A2 Flyers Vocabulary: Animals

The 15 animals words new at Cambridge A2 Flyers, plus the 45 from earlier levels your child still needs. Each has a simple meaning and an example sentence.

How to use this list

1. Pick one topic a day. Ten to fifteen minutes is enough.
2. Read the word, the meaning and the example aloud together.
3. Tick the box when your child can say the word and use it in a sentence.

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WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE
☐ **beetle** *noun*	It is a small insect with a hard shell on its back.	*I saw a big black beetle in the garden.*
☐ **butterfly** *noun*	It is a pretty insect with colourful wings that flies.	*I saw a yellow butterfly in the garden.*
☐ **camel** *noun*	It's a big animal that lives in the desert and has humps on its back.	*We saw a camel at the zoo today.*
☐ **creature** *noun*	An animal or being that is alive.	*I saw a furry creature in my garden!*
☐ **dinosaur** *noun*	A very big animal that lived a long, long time ago.	*My little brother likes playing with his dinosaur toys.*
☐ **eagle** *noun*	It is a big, strong bird with sharp eyes that hunts animals.	*I saw an eagle at the zoo, and it was very big.*
☐ **extinct** *adjective*	No longer existing; all gone.	*Dinosaurs are extinct, so you cannot see them now.*
☐ **fur** *noun*	The thick hair that covers some animals.	*My cat has soft, white fur.*
☐ **insect** *noun*	A small animal with six legs and often wings.	*I don't like that insect, it might bite me.*
☐ **nest** *noun*	It's a home that birds make for their eggs and babies.	*We saw a bird's nest high up in the tree.*
☐ **octopus** *noun*	It is a sea animal with a soft body and eight arms.	*I saw a big octopus at the aquarium today.*
☐ **swan** *noun*	A big, white bird that lives on water and has a long neck.	*We saw a beautiful white swan on the lake.*
☐ **tortoise** *noun*	It is a slow animal with a shell that it can hide inside.	*The tortoise walked very slowly across the grass.*
☐ **wild** *adjective*	Not tame; living in nature, not kept by people.	*My dog got very wild when we went to the park.*
☐ **wing** *noun*	It is part of a bird that helps it fly.	*The bird hurt its wing, so it cannot fly.*

Also needed: Pre-A1 Starters words 32 words

WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE
☐ **animal** *noun*	It is a living thing.	*I like to see every animal.*
☐ **bat** *noun*	It is a wooden stick you use to hit a ball.	*I hit the ball with my new bat.*
☐ **bear** *noun*	A big, furry animal.	*I have a teddy bear.*
☐ **bee** *noun*	It is a flying insect.	*I see a bee in the garden.*
☐ **bird** *noun*	It is an animal that flies.	*I see a small bird outside.*
☐ **cat** *noun*	It is a small animal.	*My cat sleeps on the sofa.*
☐ **chicken** *noun*	It's a farm animal bird.	*I eat chicken for dinner sometimes.*
☐ **cow** *noun*	It gives us milk.	*The cow eats grass in the field.*
☐ **crocodile** *noun*	It's a big green animal.	*I saw a crocodile at the zoo.*
☐ **dog** *noun*	A pet that barks often.	*I play with my dog every day.*
☐ **donkey** *noun*	A farm animal like a horse.	*The donkey eats grass in the field.*
☐ **duck** *noun*	It is a swimming bird.	*I see a duck in the pond.*
☐ **elephant** *noun*	It is a big, grey animal.	*I see an elephant at the zoo.*
☐ **fish** *noun, pl) n*	It lives and swims in water.	*I like to eat fish.*
☐ **frog** *noun*	It is a green animal.	*I see a frog in the pond.*
☐ **giraffe** *noun*	It is a tall animal.	*I see a giraffe at the zoo.*
☐ **goat** *noun*	It is a farm animal.	*The goat eats grass in the field.*
☐ **hippo** *noun*	It is a large animal.	*I saw a big hippo at the zoo.*
☐ **horse** *noun*	It is a farm animal.	*I see a brown horse on the farm.*
☐ **jellyfish** *noun*	Sea animal with soft body.	*I see a jellyfish in the sea.*
☐ **lizard** *noun*	It is a small reptile.	*I see a green lizard on the wall.*
☐ **monkey** *noun*	It is a climbing animal.	*I see a monkey at the zoo.*
☐ **mouse/mice** *noun*	A small animal with a long tail — one mouse, two mice.	*The little mouse is under the table.*
☐ **pet** *noun*	It is a friendly animal.	*I like to play with my pet.*
☐ **polar bear** *noun*	A white bear lives in snow.	*I saw a polar bear at the zoo.*
☐ **sheep** *noun, pl) n*	It is a farm animal.	*I see many sheep on the farm.*
☐ **snake** *noun*	It is a long reptile.	*I see a snake in the grass.*
☐ **spider** *noun*	It is a small animal with eight legs.	*I see a spider in my room.*
☐ **tail** *noun*	It is the end of an animal.	*The dog wags its tail happily.*
☐ **tiger** *noun*	It is a big, striped cat.	*I like the tiger at the zoo.*
☐ **zebra** *noun*	It is a black and white animal.	*I see a zebra at the zoo.*
☐ **zoo** *noun*	A place has many animals.	*I like to see monkeys at the zoo.*

Also needed: A1 Movers words 13 words

WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE
☐ **cage** *noun*	It is a box made of bars for keeping animals.	*The bird lives in a cage.*
☐ **dolphin** *noun*	A dolphin is a grey sea animal.	*I saw a dolphin at the zoo.*
☐ **kangaroo** *noun*	It is an animal from Australia that hops.	*I saw a kangaroo at the zoo today.*
☐ **kitten** *noun*	A baby cat.	*My friend has a new kitten.*
☐ **lion** *noun*	It is a big cat.	*I saw a lion at the zoo.*
☐ **panda** *noun*	A panda is a black and white bear.	*I saw a panda at the zoo today.*
☐ **parrot** *noun*	It is a colourful bird that can copy sounds.	*My grandma has a parrot in her house.*
☐ **penguin** *noun*	It is a bird that cannot fly and lives near the sea.	*I saw a penguin at the zoo today.*
☐ **puppy** *noun*	It is a baby dog.	*My friend has a cute puppy.*
☐ **rabbit** *noun*	It is a small animal with long ears.	*I saw a rabbit in my garden.*
☐ **shark** *noun*	It is a big fish with sharp teeth.	*I saw a shark at the aquarium.*
☐ **snail** *noun*	It is a small animal with a shell and moves very slowly.	*I saw a snail in the garden yesterday.*
☐ **whale** *noun*	A very big animal that lives in the sea.	*I saw a whale at the aquarium today.*

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