

# **INSTINCT**

#### INTRODUCTION

This guide is designed for teachers to use with the video program **Science Video Vocab: Instinct**. Viewers will learn all about the word instinct through video, photographs, graphics and animation. The questions and activities suggested in this guide will help you to assess your students' comprehension of the subject matter.

### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

Students will be able to define the word instinct Students will be able to pronounce and use instinct appropriately Students will understand the word instinct as well as related concepts and principles

# **QUESTIONS**

What is instinct?

Describe how instinct promotes survival of animals. True or False: Instincts are an inherited behavior.

# **CHALLENGE QUESTION**

What is the difference between an instinct and a reaction? Be specific.

#### CLASSROOM OR INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES

Have your students write a story about a superhero that possesses the instincts of an eagle, bear and dolphin who battles a villain that possesses the instincts of a snake, preying mantis and shark. How do they defend themselves? What basic instincts give one or the other a distinct advantage?