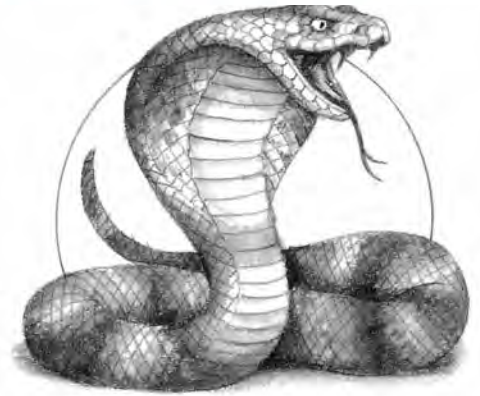


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Cracking the Cobra Code

Directions: In *A Crazy Day with Cobras and Snakes and Other Reptiles*, we learn that the king cobra is unique in the snake kingdom. Use the cryptography wheel provided by your teacher to decode the following cobra facts.



1. The father cobra is the only snake father in the animal kingdom to do this to help the mother cobra with their young.

U I O F R S H V S B S G H

2. Cobras and some other reptiles possess this gift that helps them blend in with their surroundings.

Q O A C I T Z O U S

3. Snakes, including the king cobra, inject this through their fangs to kill their prey.

J S B C A

4. Cobras and some other venomous snakes belong to this group of snakes that have super powerful toxin that works quickly to paralyze the victim.

S Z O D W R G

Answer Key:

1. GUARDS THE NEST 2. CAMOUFLAGE 3. VENOM 4. ELAPIDS

Cracking the Cobra Code

Directions: Students should connect the “Cobra Code” and “Plain Text” wheels by inserting a brad in the center of both wheels, which will provide ease in turning the wheels. Extra strength will be needed to insert the brad.

In order to decode the facts, students will need to use the cryptology wheel beginning in the following way: A on the plain text wheel should line up with O on the Cobra Code wheel.

