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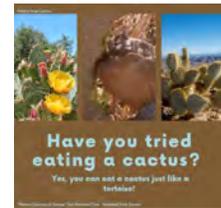
INSTRUCTIONS

These pages contain a list of desert tortoise videos that are organized by topic. With each video there is an extra information sheet or short video clip. Explore the topics that interest you most, and follow along on the extra information sheet or short video clip.

MOJAVE MAX OVERVIEW

Video description: Who is Mojave Max? What is he all about? In this video, we introduce you to Mojave Max - the Mojave Desert's most famous mascot.

- Video: "Mojave Max Overview"
- Extra video: "Have you tried eating a cactus?"



WEATHER IN THE DESERT

Video description: In this video, you will learn how desert tortoises survive the harsh, unpredictable, and sometimes dangerous Mojave Desert weather using their adaptations.

- Video: "Weather in the Desert"
- Extra video: "Tortoises need a home too!"



DESERT TORTOISES: A KEYSTONE SPECIES

Video description: Desert tortoises are a keystone species, which means that without them, the desert ecosystem may collapse. In this video, we learn why desert tortoises are important to the survival of different plants and animals.

- Video: "Desert Tortoises: A Keystone Species"
- Extra info sheet: "Why are desert tortoises important?" Page 1





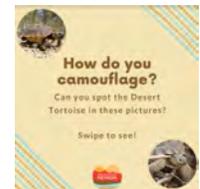
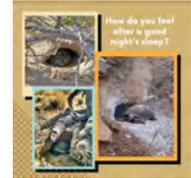
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BURROWS, BRUMATION, AND CAMOUFLAGE

Video description: Learn about burrows - a desert tortoise's home, brumation - the reptilian form of hibernation, and how desert tortoises use camouflage to protect themselves against predators.

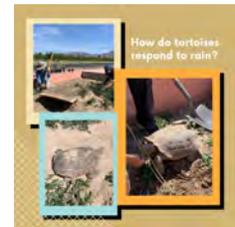
- **Video: "Burrows, brumation, and camouflage"**
- **Extra info sheets: "How do you feel after a good night's sleep?" and "How do you camouflage?"**
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FOOD AND WATER

Video description: Just like us, desert tortoises need food and water to be happy and healthy. In this video, learn which adaptations desert tortoises use to get their food and water in the dry, arid Mojave Desert.

- **Video: "Food and Water"**
- **Extra info sheet: "How do tortoises respond to rain?"** Page 11



LIFE CYCLE

Video description: Just like us, desert tortoises experience a life cycle where they are born, grow, and develop. In this video, we explore each part of the desert tortoise life cycle in great detail.

- **Video: "Desert Tortoise Life Cycle"**
- **Extra info sheet: "Desert tortoise life cycle,"**
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THREATS TO DESERT TORTOISES

Video description: Explore the threats that desert tortoises face in our modern world, and learn what you can do to protect them. From predation to habitat destruction, desert tortoises need our help now more than ever.



- **Video: "Threats to desert tortoises"**
- **Extra info sheet: "Threats to desert tortoises," Page 8**

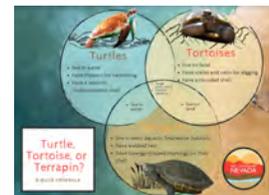


TURTLES VS. TORTOISES AND FAQs

Video description: In this video, we explore the difference between turtles, tortoises, and terrapins. Although they're related, each contain a special set of characteristics that set them apart.



- **Video: "Turtles vs. Tortoises and FAQs"**
- **Extra info sheets: "Turtles, tortoises, and terrapins," and "Desert tortoise frequently asked questions," Page 9 & 10**



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