

N for Newt

Newts are brightly, coloured salamanders. These small amphibians are found in moist, wooded areas in North America, Europe, and Asia.



Newts spend their lives near water. The newt's underbelly is usually yellow. Many newts have red spots along their sides.

Newts are about 7 to 10 cm long. They have four fingers on each of the front legs and five toes on each of the hind legs.

A newt's tail is flat on both sides. Newts have the ability to regenerate limbs, eyes and spinal cords.

A newt's skin is always soft and moist. They produce toxins in their skin secretions as a defence mechanism against predators.

Newts eat insects, worms, snails, and small fish. A newt's prey must be moving in order to attract the newt.

Newt eggs are laid in the water. Baby newts grow their front two legs first, instead of the back legs, like frogs.

A newt sandwich
Is easy to make.
You simply take
A piece of cake,
One slice of bread,
Some mayonnaise.
Now add one newt.
Sounds good?

