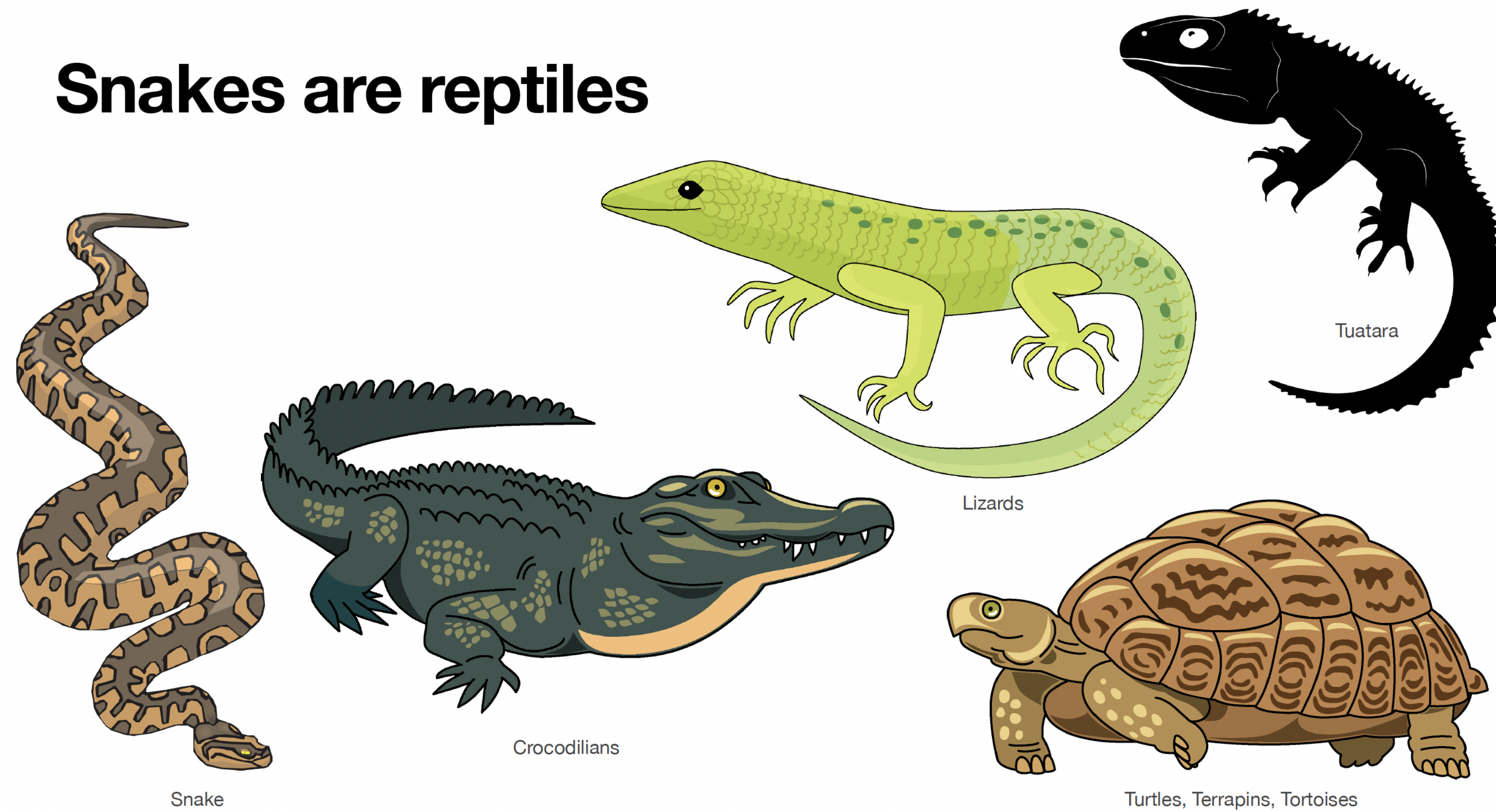
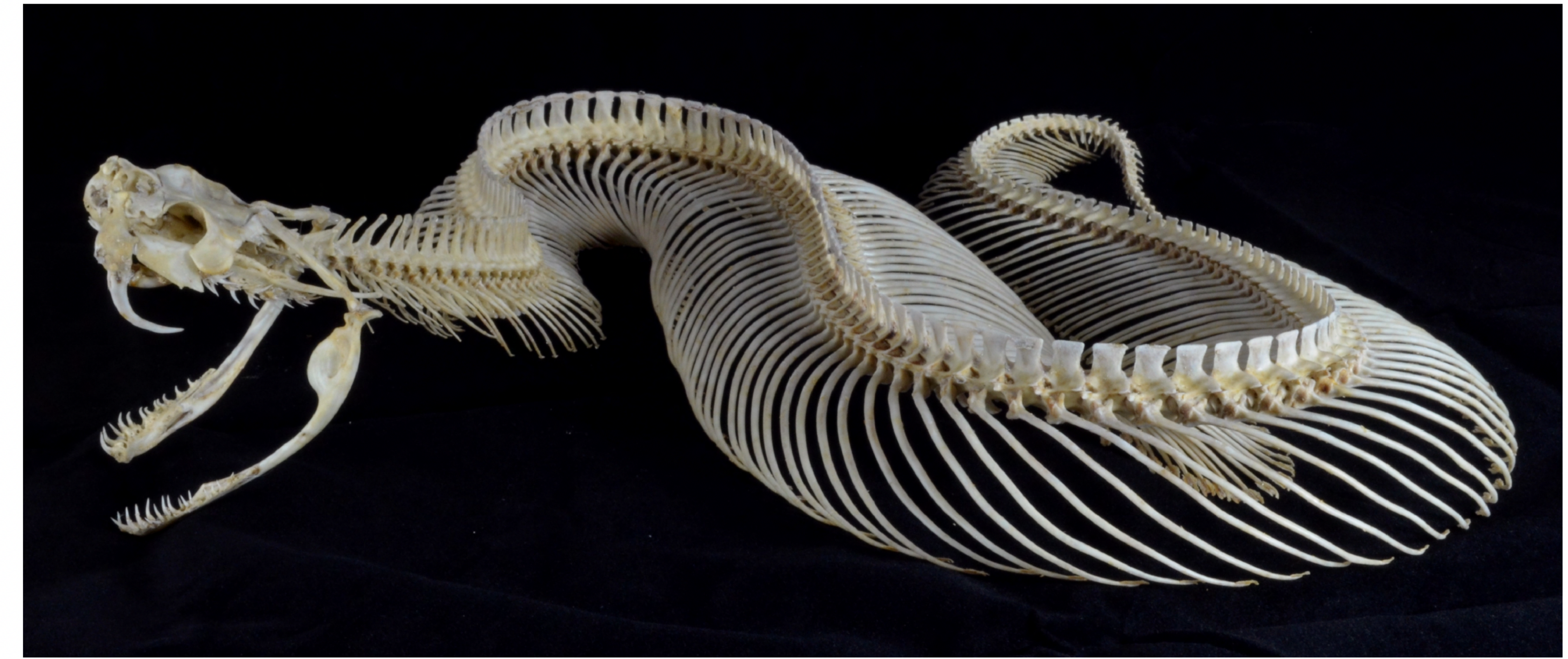


BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT SNAKES

Snakes are reptiles

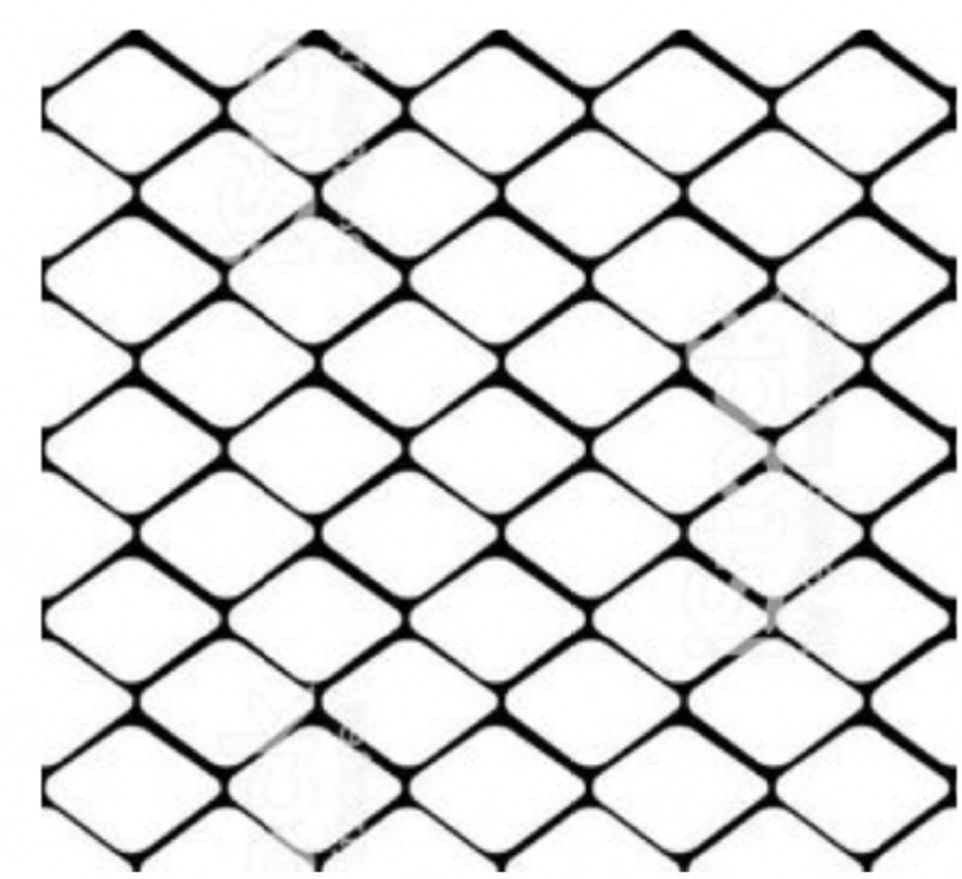


Snakes have bones

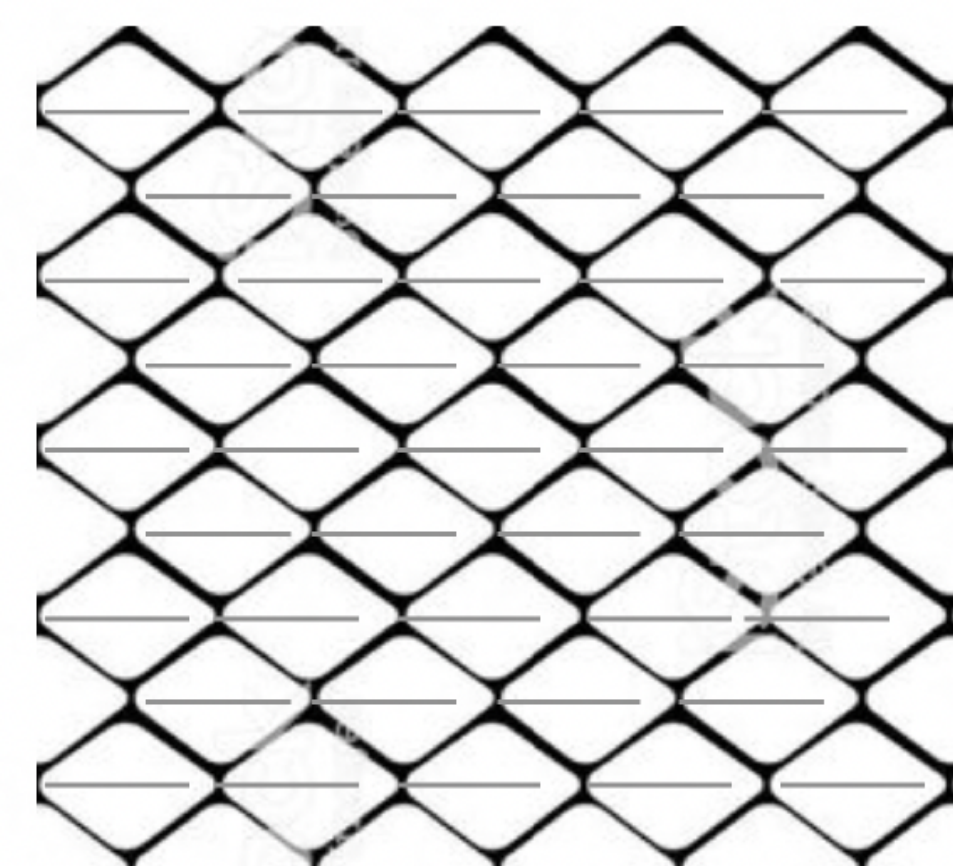


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Snakes are covered with scales made from the same material as your fingernails!



Smooth



Keeled (ridge down center)

Snakes shed their old skins (scales) as they outgrow them

