### Lizards: Fast Facts, Amazing Photos, and Fun Activities From National Geographic Readers

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Are you ready to enter the amazing world of lizards? These incredible reptiles come in all shapes and sizes, and they have some of the most fascinating adaptations in the animal kingdom. Join National Geographic Readers as we explore the lives of lizards, from their unique physical characteristics to their astounding abilities. With stunning photographs and fun activities, this book is the perfect to the wonderful world of lizards.

#### What is a Lizard?

Lizards are a group of reptiles that includes over 6,000 different species. They can be found on every continent except Antarctica, and they live in a wide variety of habitats, from deserts to rainforests. Lizards range in size from the tiny gecko, which can fit on a fingernail, to the Komodo dragon, which can grow up to 10 feet long.

#### Lizard Anatomy

Lizards have long, slender bodies with four legs. Their skin is covered in scales, which help to protect them from the elements and predators. Lizards have excellent eyesight and hearing, and they use their long, forked tongues to taste the air and detect prey.

#### **Lizard Adaptations**

Lizards have evolved a number of adaptations to help them survive in their environment. Some lizards can change color to camouflage themselves with their surroundings. Others have long, sharp claws for climbing trees or digging burrows. And some lizards have venom to protect themselves from predators.

#### **Lizard Behavior**

Lizards are generally solitary creatures, but some species do live in groups. Lizards are active during the day, and they spend their time basking in the sun, hunting for food, and avoiding predators. Lizards communicate with each other through a variety of vocalizations and body language.

#### **Lizard Fun Facts**

- Lizards are the most diverse group of reptiles.
- Lizards can live up to 50 years in captivity.
- Lizards are cold-blooded animals, which means that they rely on external sources of heat to regulate their body temperature.

- Lizards can lose their tails as a defense mechanism.
- Lizards are important members of the ecosystem, as they help to control populations of insects and other small animals.

#### **Lizard Activities**

In addition to the fascinating information about lizards, this book also includes a number of fun activities for kids. These activities include:

- A lizard craft activity
- A lizard maze
- A lizard word search
- A lizard coloring page

With its stunning photographs, engaging text, and fun activities, this book is the perfect way for kids to learn about the amazing world of lizards. So what are you waiting for? Grab a copy of *Lizards* today!

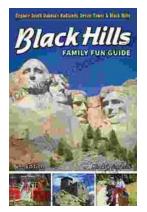
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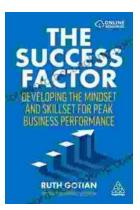
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