



Comparing Gestation Periods

I can compare the gestation periods of animals.



Use the Classification of Animal Types Poster to help you with your task. You will be comparing vertebrates and invertebrates.

Prediction:

Predict the length of time of gestation for the following animals. Order the animals on the line from the shortest gestation period to the longest. Under the name of the animal write the type of animal they are (i.e. mammal, crustacean).

Animals:

Human, protozoa, frog, worm, goldfish, salmon, ladybird, lizard, starfish, snail, jellyfish, snake, parrot, spider, lobster, whale, flatworm, centipede.

Shortest
Gestation
Period

Longest
Gestation
Period

Now use the Animal Gestation Periods Table to order them.

Shortest
Gestation
Period

Longest
Gestation
Period

Were your predictions correct? _____

“Animals who live in the water have shorter gestation periods than animals who live on land.”
Is this statement correct? Give reasons for your answer.
