An amphibian is an animal that usually lives part of its life in water and part of its life on land. It is cold-blooded and has a backbone. Most amphibians have smooth, moist skin and no scales. They live in moist places or near water to keep their bodies from drying out.

Amphibians hatch from jelly-like eggs and go through metamorphosis. Young amphibians breath through gills. When they are adults, most breath through their skin. Most have webbed feet. Frogs, toads, and salamanders are amphibians.

1. Amphibians live part of their life in ____________________ and part of their life on _____________________.
2. They hatch from ________________________________________.
3. They go through a change called ___________________________.
   lungs  gills  skin
5. Why do amphibians live near water? ____________________________

** Color the black and white pictures.
** Highlight the "star" words in the writing.