



LISTENING AND SPEAKING ACTIVITIES

"BIOLOGY AND GEOLOGY" (1ºE.S.O.)

UNIT 7: "Vertebrates"



1. Listen and complete the text with the following words.

Limbs	Isolation	Running	Air	Breath	Marsupials	Mammary	Milk
Teeth	Viviparous	Placental	Hair	Lungs	Swimming	Monotremes	Uterus

Mammals

Mammals are the most complex vertebrates. The human species is included in this group.

a) Characteristics of mammals

- Mammals have four that are adapted to the different ways they move (....., climbing,, flying, etc.).
- Their skin is completely or partially covered by, which provides thermal
- Mammals have specialized adapted to their type of feeding.
- They are endothermal.
- They through
- Most of them are and take care of their babies when they are born. Females feed their babies through their glands, which produce milk.

b) The main kinds of mammals

There are three types of mammals: **monotremes**, **marsupials** and **placental**.



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These are a group of very primitive mammals. They are not viviparous, as the females lay and incubate eggs. Mothers feed their babies that comes out of openings in their skin.
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They are viviparous, but they give birth to undeveloped babies that have to develop inside the *marsupium*.
- **mammals**.
These females have a placenta. The embryo develops entirely in the mother's This is the largest and most extended group of mammals.



2. Now, in turns with your partner, answer the questions:

- What does it mean that hair provides thermal isolation?
- What characteristic of mammals gives name to the group?
- How do mammals feed their young?
- What are the differences among *Monotremes*, *Marsupials* and *Placental mammals*? Put examples.

...Do you dare to make your own questions?