## **GROUP A:**

Arthropoda, Mollusca, Cnidaria, Annelida and Echinodermata belong to (=appartengono) this group.

They are 95% of all animals.

They haven't got a skeleton.

They haven't got a backbone.

A lot of them have an EXOSKELETON, an external skeleton that doesn't grow.

The oldest \_\_\_\_\_ appears on Earth 520 million years ago.

## **QUESTIONS:**

What groups belong to invertebrates?

What is the percentage of invertebrates?

What haven't they got?

What is an EXOSKELETON?

When does the oldest invertebrate appear on Earth?

Can you make an example of an invertebrate?

## **GROUP B:**

Fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals belong to (=appartengono) this group. They share common features. They have got:

- a backbone that protects the spinal
- a cranium (or skull) that protects the brain

The skeleton has different functions:

- it protects organs
- it helps movements
- it supports the body

The oldest	 appears on	Earth 48	0 million	years
ago.				

## QUESTIONS:

What groups belong to vertebrates?
What have vertebrates got?
What are the skeleton functions?
When does the oldest vertebrate appear on Earth?
Can you make an example of a vertebrate?