



# Sting Stab Strike!

## Glossary

**Adaptations** — changes made to make an animal better suited to a particular environment or task.

**Agitated** — excited, annoyed or disturbed.

**Antivenin** — a medicine that can undo the effects of venom.

**Barb** — a triangular point shaped like an arrowhead.

**Camouflage** — camouflage is how animals blend in with their environment to help them hide from predators or prey.

**Carnivore** — an animal that eats only meat.

**Convulsions** — muscle spasms or contractions that you cannot control.

**Crevice** — a crack in a rock.

**Iridescent** — very brightly coloured and shiny.

**Nausea** — a sick feeling in your stomach.

**Numbness** — when a part of your body loses feeling.

**Paralysis** — a medical condition that stops you being able to move.

**Pressure immobilisation bandaging** — a first aid technique where you wrap the whole arm or leg (wherever the bite is) firmly in a bandage. This can slow down the spread of venom throughout the body.

**Predators** — animals that hunt other animals for food.

**Puncture** — to make a hole by piercing or poking with something sharp.

**Prey** — an animal that gets eaten by a predator.

**Reflex** — an involuntary or automatic response.

**Saliva** — is the medical term for spit.

**Shock** — a life-threatening medical condition where not enough blood reaches all the parts of your body and they can't work properly.

**Species** — a group of animals that look and act in similar ways.

**Tapering** — becoming gradually narrower or thinner at one end.

**Toxin** — a poison produced by an animal.

**Venomous** — describes an animal that is able to inflict a poisoned bite, sting, or wound.