Turtle Life Cycle Worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Put the stages in order

Write 1, 2, 3... in the boxes to show the order of the turtle life cycle.

☐	**Hatchling** – Baby turtles break out using a tiny egg tooth.
☐	**Juvenile** – Young turtles grow and their shells harden.
☐	**Egg** – A female turtle digs a nest on land and lays eggs.
☐	**Adult** – Adult turtles can mate and lay eggs, often living many years.

2. Match the word to its meaning

Write the letter next to each word.

1. reptile	A. to break out of an egg
2. hatch	B. a group of eggs laid at one time
3. clutch	C. cold-blooded animal with dry, scaly skin

3. Draw and label

Draw your favourite stage of the turtle life cycle and label it.

4. Explain

What happens between the first and last stage?

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Answer key

Correct order

Egg → Hatchling → Juvenile → Adult

Word match

1–C, 2–A, 3–B

Try this activity

Make a turtle shell from a paper bowl and draw growth rings on it. Discuss how turtles carry their homes and how long they live. Do not handle pet turtles, as they can carry salmonella.

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