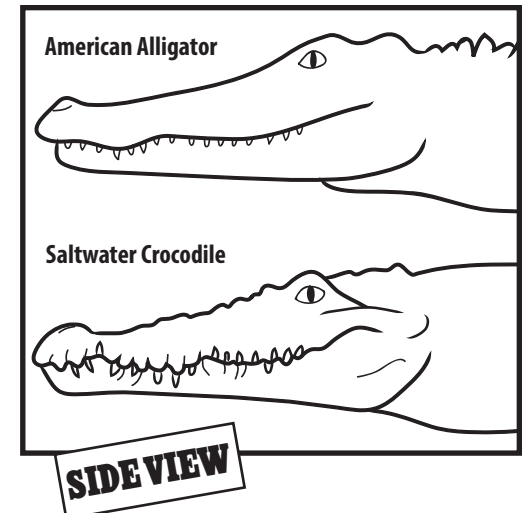
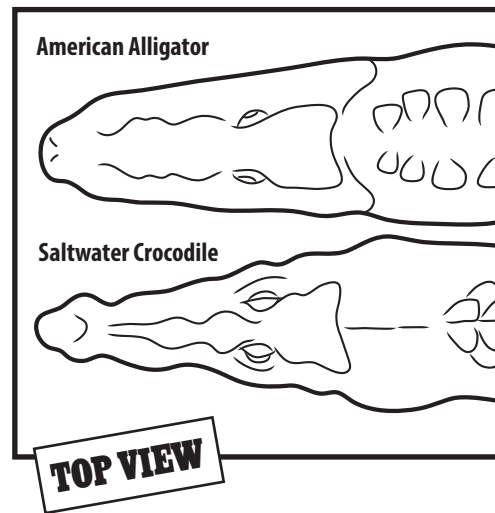


# CROCODILE FACT SHEET

- The word “crocodile” comes from the Ancient Greek (crocodiles), meaning “lizard.”
- Crocodiles have excellent night vision, which make them nocturnal.
- The jaws of a crocodile are the strongest of any animal. Even that of a great white shark! They use great pressure to close their mouths. But the muscles used to open them are very weak, a large band of rubber can be placed around the jaws to keep them closed when transporting them.
- Crocodiles are very fast over short distances on land and use the element of surprise on their prey. They can swim up to 25mph.
- They are vocal and have about 20 different sounds for communication.
- The largest crocodile species is SALTWATER CROCODILE. It can reach 7m (23 ft) in length and weight one ton!



## Crocodiles vs. Alligators

- Crocodiles have longer narrow heads with more of a v-shape compared to a alligator who has more of a u-shape.
- Crocodiles have a clearly visible the fourth tooth on the lower jaw even when the mouth is closed.

