



# Slithering Snake

Ancestors of modern snakes had arms and legs, and those with smaller limbs could more easily reach prey living underground. Today, snakes have evolved to be limbless, and use their scales and muscles to get around.

Create your own slithering snake and see how it moves.

## Materials

Crayons, colored pencils, or markers  
Paper  
Scissors  
Glue

## Directions

1. **Create** a pattern for the snake's body on a piece of paper using crayons, colored pencils, or markers.
2. **Fold** the paper in half lengthwise 3 times. This will give you 8 sections.
3. **Cut** the paper along each fold to get 8 strips of paper.
4. **Glue** the ends of 2 strips together at a right angle.
5. **Fold** the strips over one another. When you reach the end, glue on more strips to lengthen each side. Keep going until you use all 8 strips of paper.
6. **Draw and cut** out a head, tongue, and tail for the snake.
7. **Glue** the head to the square at one end of the snake's body and the tail to the other end.
8. Make your snake **slither!**

*Challenge:* Can you make a snake that looks like one you have seen before?

