

Some sample terms: duck, sea lion, armadillo, seal, aardvark, amethyst, aquamarine, diamond, dolomite, chalcedony, citrine, quetzalcoatlite, cabbage, cauliflower, artichoke, courgette.

Glossary

V

vegetable

- artichoke** a variety of thistle cultivated as food. 1
- cabbage** vegetable with thick green or purple leaves. 1
- cauliflower** type of cabbage with edible white flower head. 1
- courgette** immature fruit of a vegetable marrow. 1
- marrow** long white-fleshed gourd with green skin.

M

mineral

- amethyst** purple variety of quartz. 1
- aquamarine** light blue variety of beryl. 1
- beryl** composed of beryllium aluminium cyclosilicate.
- chalcedony** cryptocrystalline variety of quartz. 1
- citrine** yellow variety of quartz. 1
- diamond** a metastable allotrope of carbon. 1
- dolomite** an anhydrous carbonate mineral. 1
- quartz** hard mineral consisting of silica.
- quetzalcoatlite** a rare tellurium oxysalt mineral. 1

A

animal

- aardvark** nocturnal African burrowing mammal. 1
- armadillo** nocturnal insectivore with large claws. 1
- duck** a waterbird with webbed feet. 1
- sea lion** a large type of seal. 1
- seal** sea-dwelling fish-eating mammal with flippers. 1