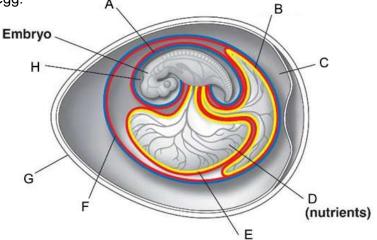
<u>Module 16</u> Read pages 495 – 517.

Biology Assignment #1

- 1. Define the following terms:
 - a. Amniotic egg
 - b. Neurotoxin
 - c. Hemotoxin

- d. Endothermic
- e. Down feathers
- f. Contour feathers
- 2. What are the five characteristics of reptiles that set them apart from other vertebrates?
- 3. Are reptiles ectothermic or endothermic?
- 4. Identify the parts of the amniotic egg:



- 5. What is the function of the:
 - a. Albumen
 - b. Allantois
 - c. Yolk
- 6. What are the two most important characteristics of reptile scales?
- 7. List the order (Crocodilia, Rhynchocephalia, Squamata, or Testudines) for each reptile:
 - a. Snakes
 - b. Tuataras
 - c. Lizards
 - d. Tortoises
 - e. Alligators
 - f. Turtles
- 8. What are the six characteristics of birds that set them apart from other vertebrates?
- 9. Name three birds that cannot fly?
- 10. What is the difference between a reptile egg's shell and a bird egg's shell?
- 11. What is a bird doing when it is preening?
- 12. What is unique about the way a bird molts?

Read pages 518 - 526.

Assignment #2

- 1. Define the following terms
 - a. Underhair
 - b. Guard hair
 - c. Placenta
 - d. Gestation
 - e. Mammary glands
- 2. What are the five characteristics of mammals that set them apart from other vertebrates?
- 3. Which mammal would have thicker underhair: a polar bear in Alaska or a coyote in Mexico?
- 4. What is a monotreme (Monotremata)? List two examples.
- 5. What is a marsupial? List two examples.
- 6. Name four aquatic mammals.
- 7. What is the main difference between offspring born after a short gestation period and offspring born after a long gestation period?
- 8. Pick your favorite mammal. Look up information about it. Tell me:
 - a. Its common name
 - b. The order it is in
 - c. Its genus and species name
 - d. Where its habitat is
 - e. What it eats
 - f. How long it lives on average
 - g. Whether it is endangered
 - h. One interesting fact about it