



Vertebrate Evolution

Amphibian

- **Kingdom: Animalia**
- **Phylum: Chordata**
- **Subphylum: Vertebrata**
- **Clade: Batrachomorpha**
- **Class: Amphibia**

The first major groups of amphibians developed in the Devonian period, around 370 million years ago, from lobe-finned fish which were similar to the modern coelacanth and lungfish. These ancient lobe-finned fish had evolved multi-jointed leg-like fins with digits that enabled them to crawl along the sea bottom.