Chinese zodiac – ANSWERS

1. Match them up!

Every year in the Chinese zodiac is represented by an animal. Draw a line to match the animal and the word.

![Diagram of Chinese zodiac animals with arrows connecting them to the corresponding word.]

- dragon
- horse
- rat
- dog
- ox
- snake
- monkey
- tiger
- rabbit
- rooster
- pig
- goat

2. What’s the order?

Write the animals next to the year they represent. The animals go in the same order as the pictures in exercise 1.

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2004  monkey       2010  tiger       2016  monkey
2005  rooster      2011  rabbit      2017  rooster
2006  dog          2012  dragon      2018  dog
2007  pig          2013  snake       2019  pig
2008  rat          2014  horse       2020  rat
2009  ox           2015  goat        2021  ox
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3. Fill it in!

Every animal in the Chinese zodiac has a different personality. Write the missing words in the sentences.

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The rat is sociable and **intelligent**.
The horse is strong and **adventurous**.
The ox is loyal and **strong**.
The goat is sensitive and **calm**.
The tiger is confident and **brave**.
The monkey is lively and **smart**.
The rabbit is sincere and **modest**.
The rooster is flexible and **honest**.
The dragon is lucky and **artistic**.
The dog is sociable and **loyal**.
The snake is intelligent and **organised**.
The pig is sincere and **optimistic**.

4. Write and draw!

Children write what year they were born and their Chinese zodiac animal. Then they use their own ideas to write about their real personality.

Note that Chinese New Year is a movable date and usually starts sometime in February. If you were born in January or February before the new year started, your animal is the animal of the previous year.