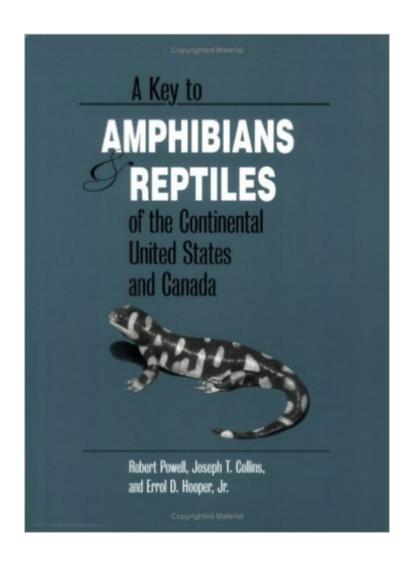
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# A Key To Amphibians And Reptiles Of The Continental United States And Canada





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This key is a must for anyone that is seriously interested in reptiles or amphibians. For instructors of Herpetology lab this book will prove to be invaluable, the illustrations and current phylogenetic classifications will aid in teaching.

This book provides an extensive key to amphibians and reptiles in North America. If you are

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