

There are more than 3400 species of snakes, which are of course recognized by not having any limbs beside the body which goes over into the tail. Yet, not all Animals without limbs are snakes, especially fishes such as eels or lizards such as blindworms. A specific difference between snakes and limbless lizards is that they do not have eyelids, and therefore always appear to be staring.

There are many different *families* of snakes. Important venomous families are Cobras, notable for their hooded napes, Vipers, which have hinged fangs and rear-facing eyes, Kraits which are slimmer than other species and often semi-aquatic and Sea snakes, which have more flat tails to paddle under water. Non-poisonous snakes are sometimes constrictors, which means they wrap around their prey and kill it with pressure from their body.

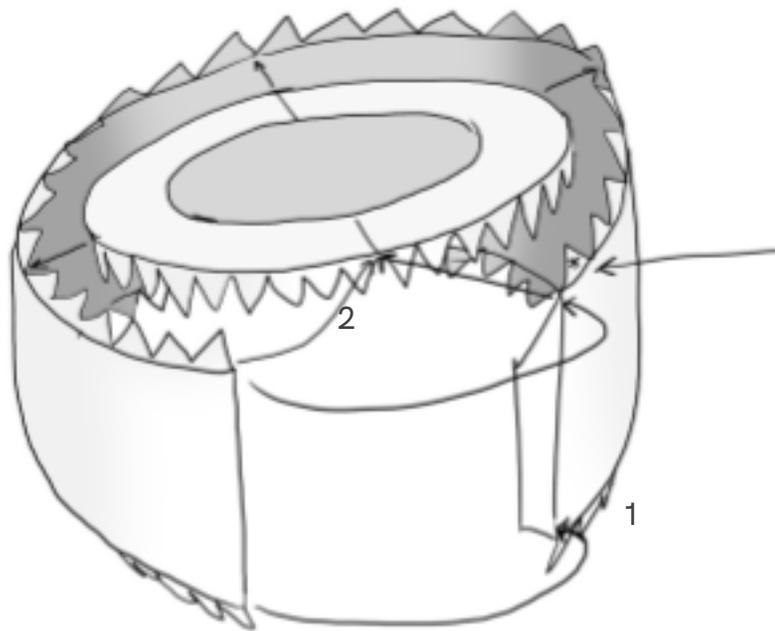
There are about 3900 different species of snakes all across our planet and they come in all sizes from about 10 centimeters to almost 7 meters. There is a fossil snake that even had a body length of over 12 meters. The earliest fossils of snakes appear in the cretaceous, living in the sea, while Dinosaurs were ruling the land.

Snakes have Venom mostly for hunting, but will use it in self-defense. While generally considered to be vicious, most snake species would usually try to avoid any confrontation with larger animals, including highly venomous snakes whose venom is able to kill humans.

1. Build the formers into body parts.

In order to make the body stronger, it is recommended to build the formers into certain body parts.

Look at the little star on the tabs which indicates the side to which the former should be glued.



! *This star indicates on which edge of the part the former should be glued.*

Other parts and their formers:

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12 ———→ 13

19 ———→ 20

23 ———→ 24

31 ———→ 32

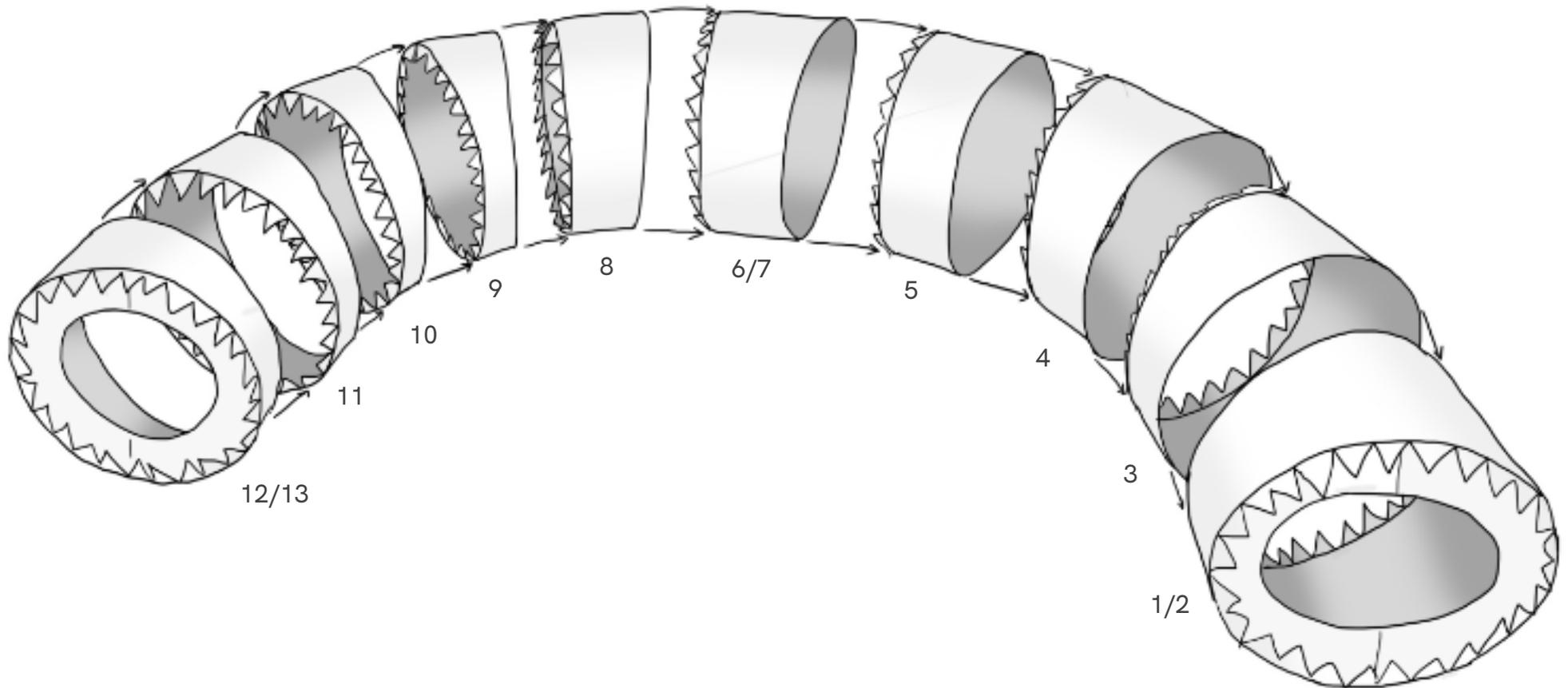
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Important advice:

To avoid mixing up parts, it is best to write the part numbers on the back of the parts. You can do that by holding the pages against a window

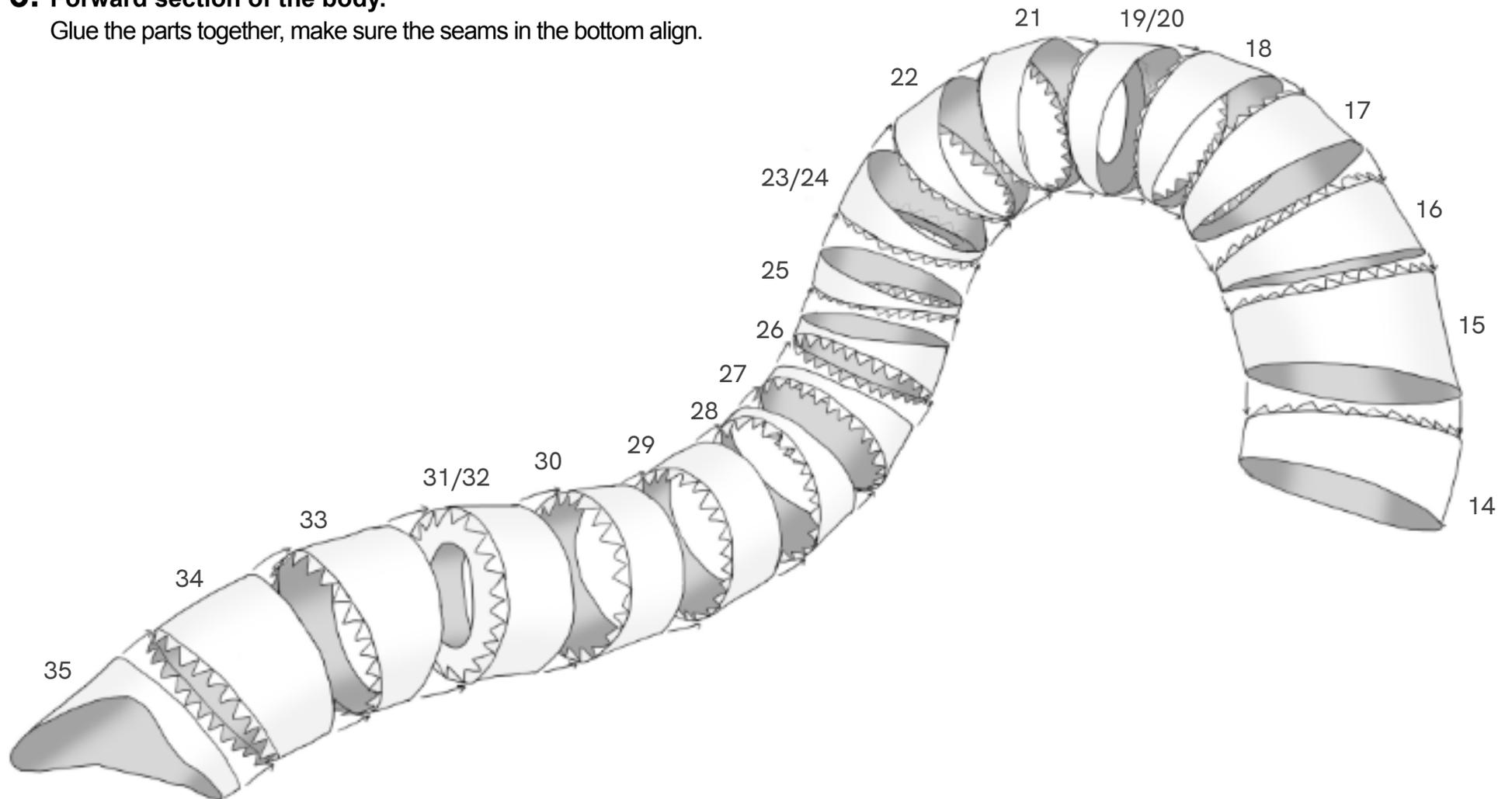
2. Middle section of the body.

Glue the parts together, make sure the seams in the bottom align.



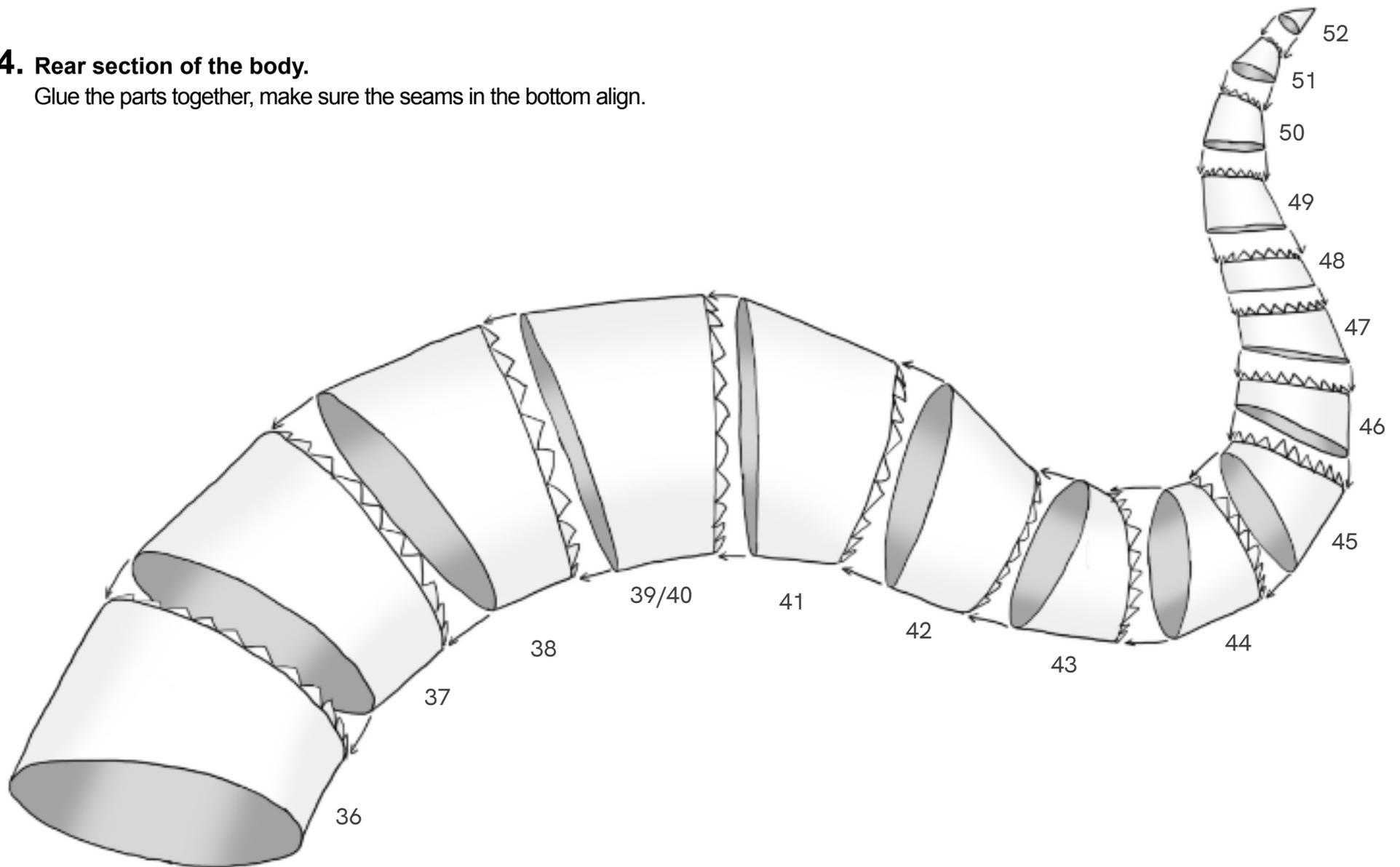
3. Forward section of the body.

Glue the parts together, make sure the seams in the bottom align.



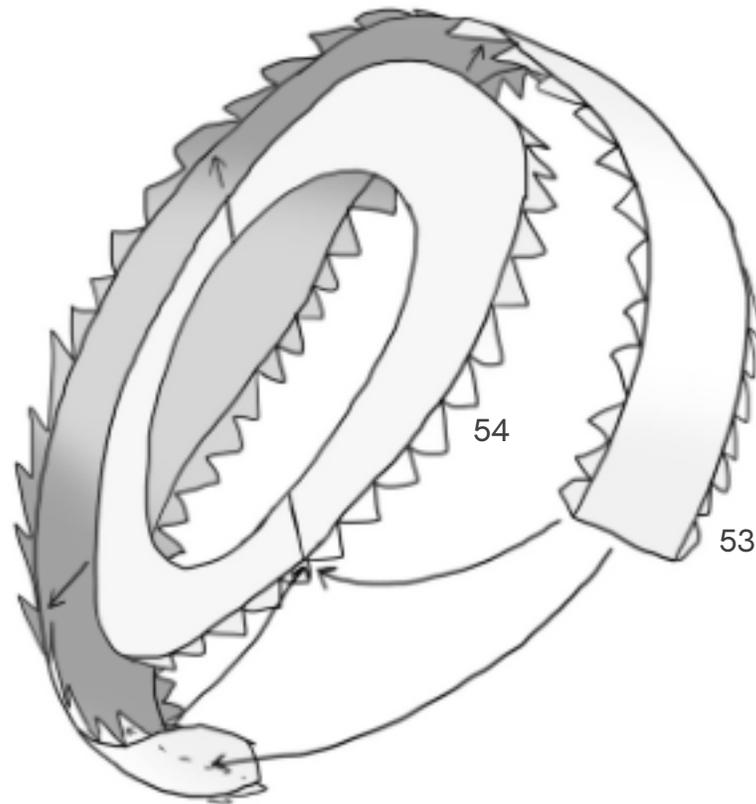
4. Rear section of the body.

Glue the parts together, make sure the seams in the bottom align.



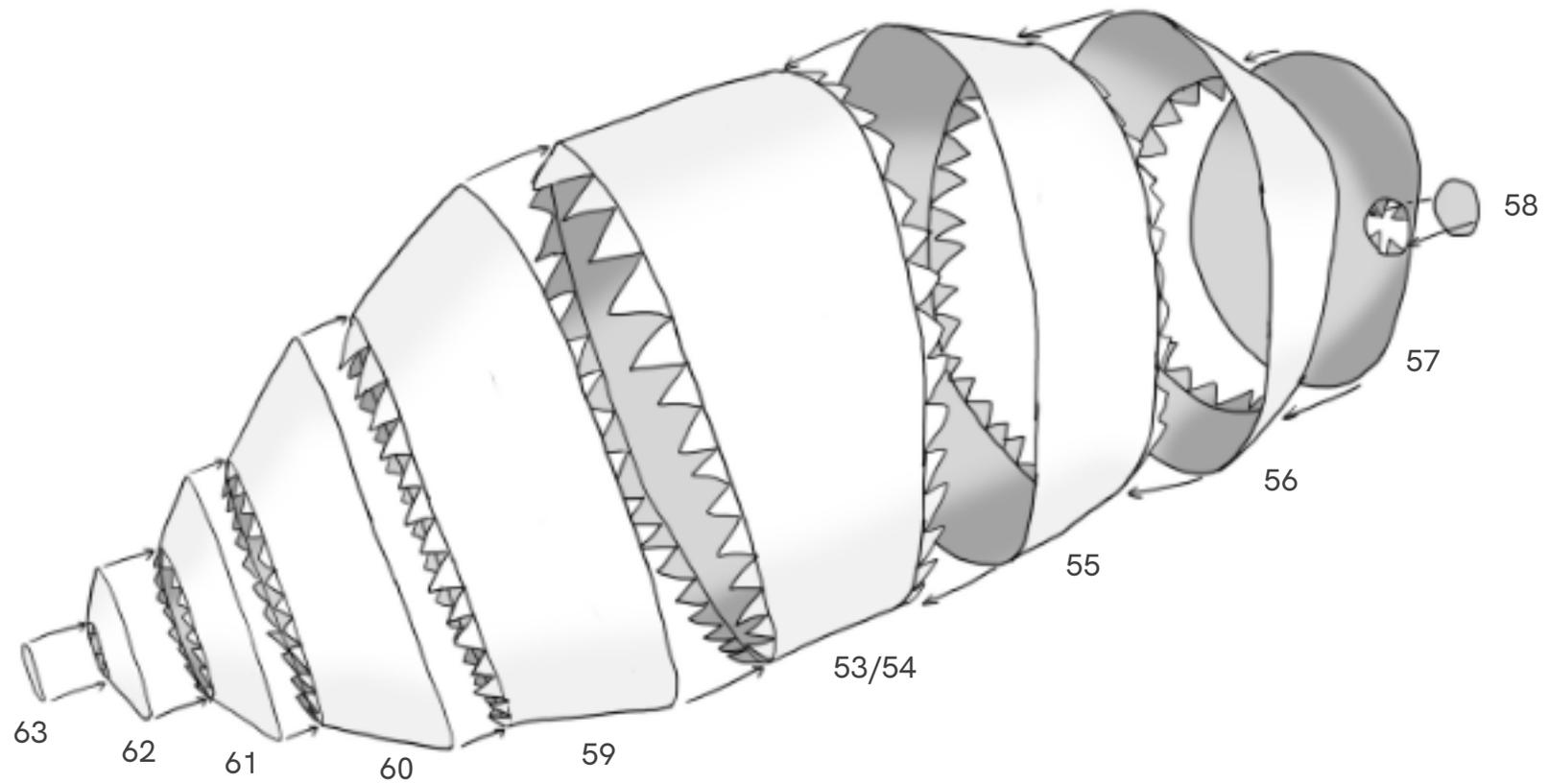
5. Wrap the center part of the head around its former.

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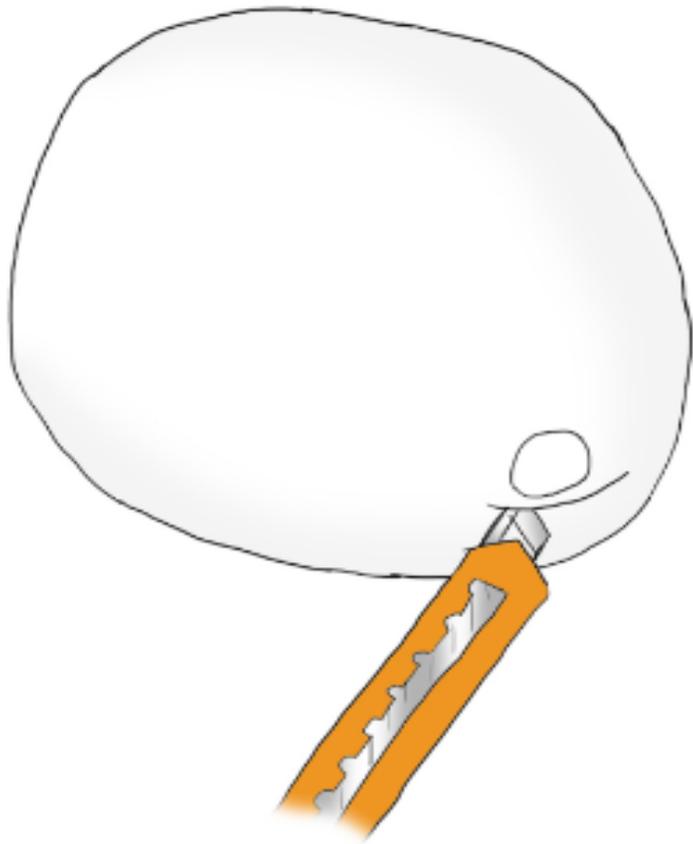
6. Build the head.

Glue the parts together, make sure the seams in the bottom align.

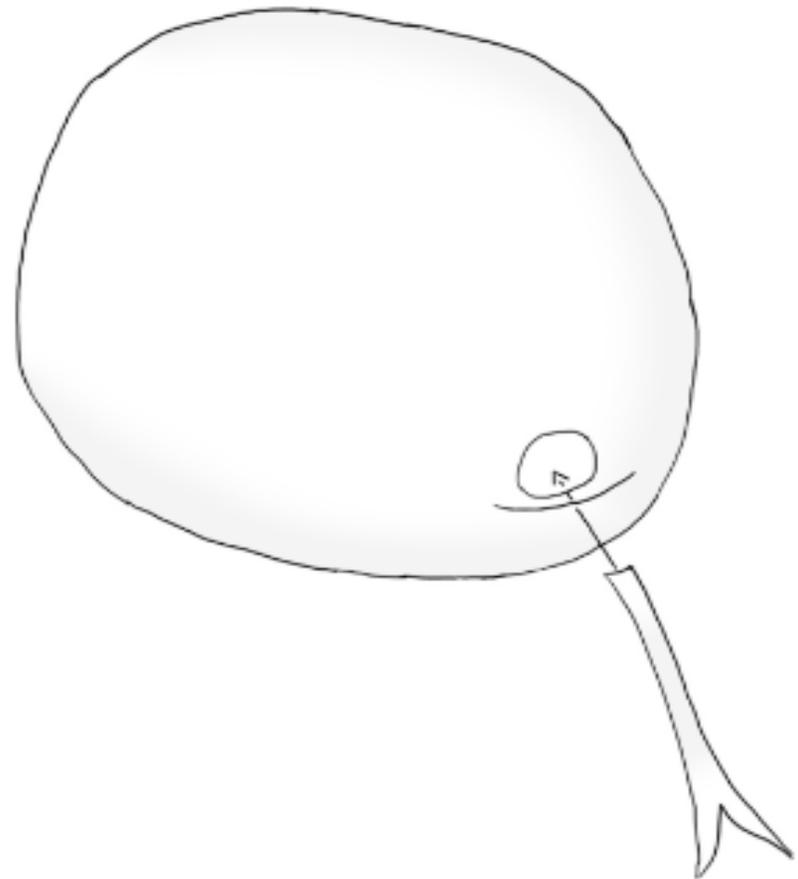


If you don't want to build the snake with its tongue out, jump to step 9.

7. Cut in the mouth in the middle.



8. Glue the tongue into the hole.



9. Final assembly.

