

MATCHING GAME: HOW DO ANIMALS USE CAMOUFLAGE?

Instructions: Match up the animal with its habitat.



LUNA MOTH

The luna moth uses its green color to blend into green leaves of deciduous trees and hide from predators such as bats, owls, and birds.

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GREEN LEAVES

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EASTERN SCREECH OWL

The Eastern screech owl uses camouflage to blend into a tree cavity; the color of their feathers matches the colors of the tree bark and helps them hide from predators such as larger owls, and their own prey.

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TREE BARK

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SNOWSHOE HARE

The snowshoe hare with its white fur uses camouflage to blend into a snowy habitat and hide from predators such as bobcats, foxes, and coyotes.

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WINTER LANDSCAPE


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ORCA

The black and white markings of the orca help these whales blend into the ocean. Their black back blends into the dark ocean from above, and their white belly blends into the lighter surface from below helping them sneak up on their prey such as seals, sea lions, and dolphins.

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**SIDEWINDER
RATTLESNAKE**

The sidewinder rattlesnake with its tan, brown and gray scales help this reptile blend into its desert and rocky habitat, giving them an advantage over their prey, including mice and lizards.

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OCELOT

The ocelot's striped and spotted fur help it blend into its forest habitat, hiding in the shadows of the forest floor or among the leaves high up in the tree branches.

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