

Springboard into Comprehension

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Identifying Detail Our Moon

Main Idea Animal Armour

Sequencing Yum, Yum!

Compare and Contrast The Giant Frog



Animal Armour



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Introduction

Life in the wild is hard.
Some animals eat other animals.
This is why animals need
ways to stay safe.
It is why they need protection
against other animals.

Animals have different ways
to stay safe.
Some have armour on their bodies.
Some have other ways to stay safe.



Snapping Turtle

The snapping turtle has armour.
It has a spiked shell.
The shell stops animals
that try to hurt it.

The snapping turtle is unlike
most turtles.
It cannot pull its head back.
It cannot hide in its shell.
This is why it has a sharp beak.
It is also why it has sharp claws.
The beak snaps.
The claws scratch.



Hedgehog

The hedgehog has sharp spines.
How do the spines help it stay safe?
When the hedgehog is in danger,
it rolls up into a ball.
This makes its spines stick out.
The spines protect the hedgehog.

