

ANIMAL SENSES

Which animals can hear well? Which animals taste with their feet? Find out all about crickets, sea lions and bald eagles.

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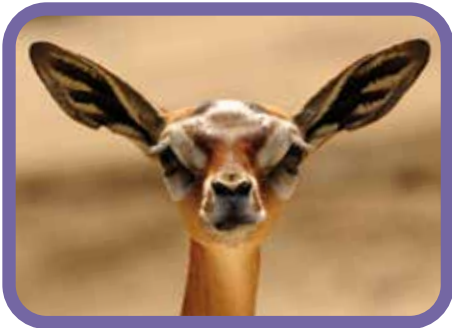
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New words



hearing



insect



sight



smell
(noun and verb)



lay eggs



nectar



sound



tongue



predator



prey
(noun)



touch
(noun and verb)



whisker

What are senses?

People have five senses. We use our eyes to see (**sight**), our ears to hear (**hearing**) and our noses to **smell**. We use our hands to **touch** and our **tongues** to taste.

Animals have senses, too.

A bald eagle has very good sight.

Animals use their senses to find food and to stay safe from **predators**.

A hunting dog can hear very well.



A butterfly tastes its food with its feet.



An octopus uses its suckers to touch things.



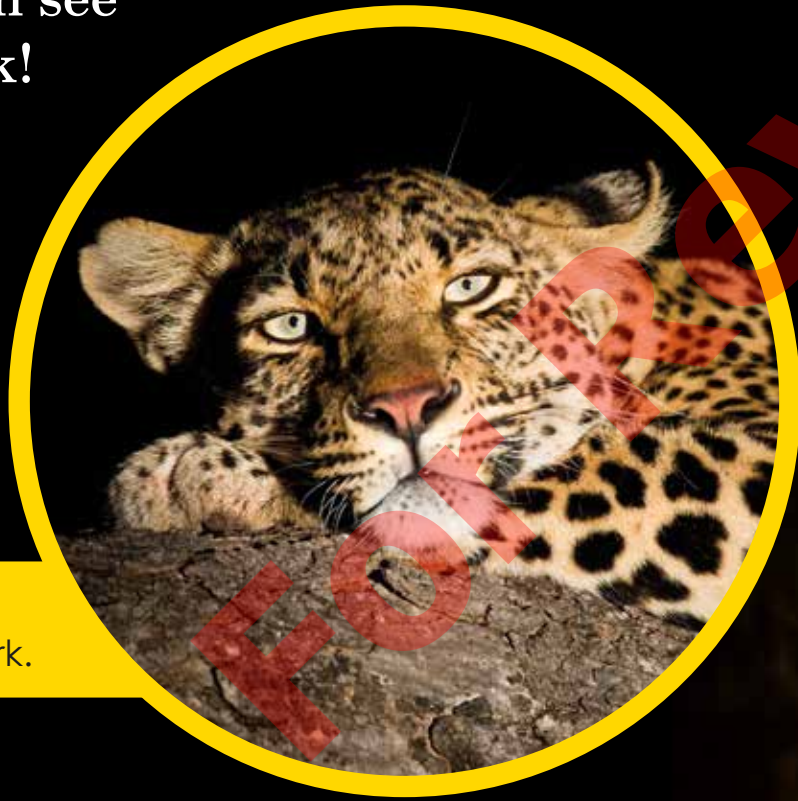
PROJECT

Work in a group.

Make a chart about the five senses: sight, hearing, smell, touch and taste. What things do you see, hear, smell, touch or taste in a day? Write down everything you can think of.

Which animals can see in the dark?

Some animals can see things in the dark!



Leopards can see at night when it is very dark.

Some animals sleep in the day and go out at night. They are called **nocturnal** animals.



Nocturnal animals can find their **prey** in the dark.

This barn owl is looking for its prey.



FIND OUT!

Use **books** or the **internet** to find one more animal that is nocturnal. What senses does it have that help it at night?

Which animals cannot see very well?

Some animals do not have very good sight. They must use different senses.



A naked mole rat cannot see very well.

Moles have small eyes and do not see very well. They use touch and smell to find prey and to stay safe.



This star-nosed mole uses its nose to smell and to touch.



WATCH!

Watch the video (see page 32).

Which sense does the golden mole not have?
How does it catch its prey?