



**Can You Believe
It's True?**

**True Facts on
ANIMALS**



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What animal is near
you right now? A pet?
A songbird? An insect?
Take a close look at it.

It's pretty amazing,
right? Want to learn
some facts about animals
that you won't believe?
Keep reading!



Built to Survive

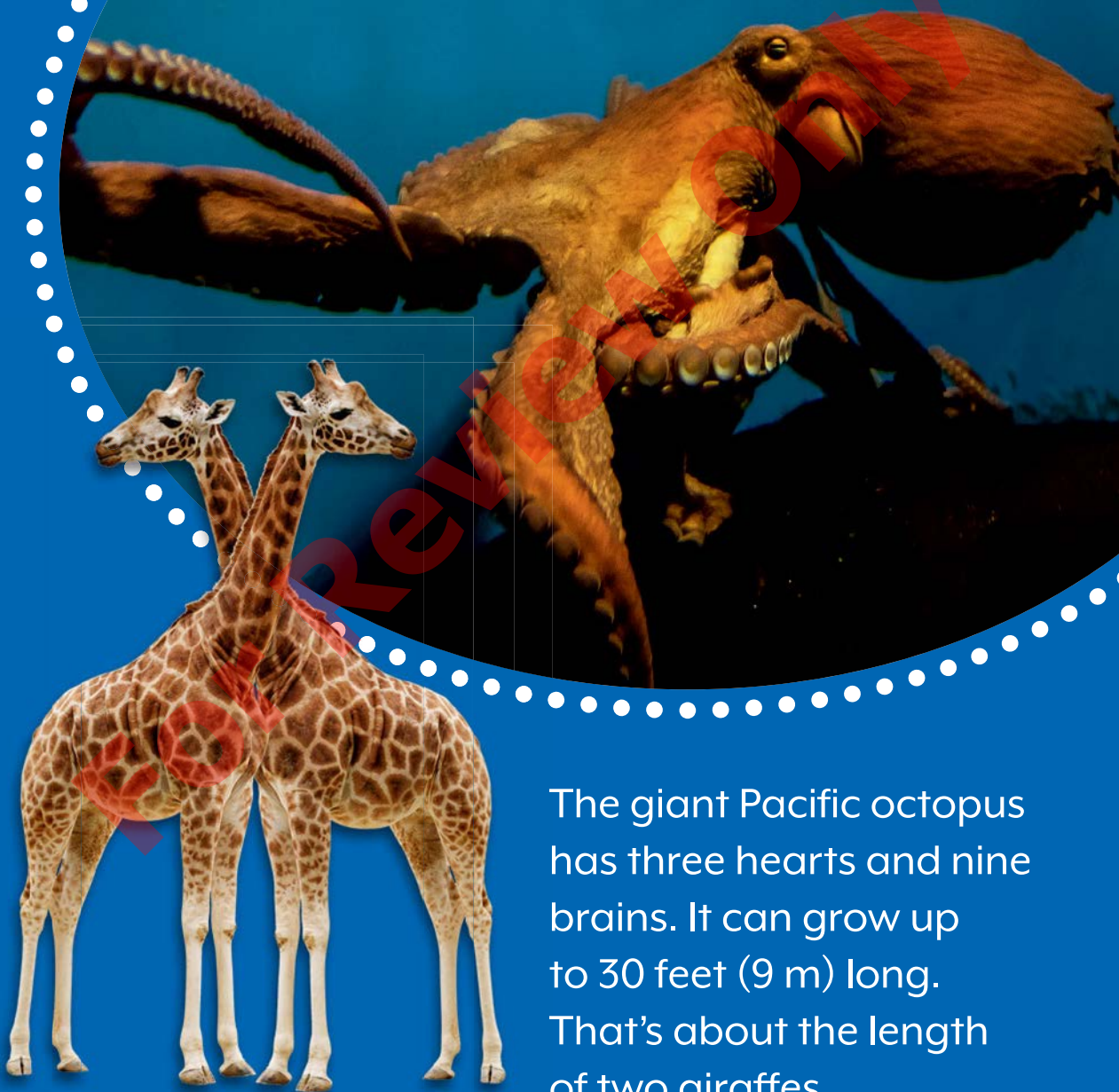
Animals' sizes, shapes, and body parts help them to survive.

Some are **behemoths**. The blue whale is so big that its tongue can weigh as much as an elephant!



The colossal squid has eyes as big as basketballs.

Does it make sense that huge animals live in the ocean? Why?



The giant Pacific octopus has three hearts and nine brains. It can grow up to 30 feet (9 m) long. That's about the length of two giraffes.

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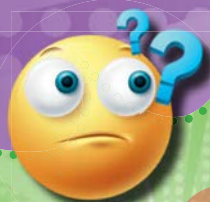
Some itty-bitty animals are super-powered. A flea jumps 200 times its body length. That's like you jumping from one end of a cruise ship to the other in one long leap.





At just 0.02 inches (0.5 mm) long, a tardigrade is the world's toughest animal. It survives extreme heat, cold, and pressure. Tardigrades were onboard a lander when it crashed into the moon in 2019. Scientists think they probably survived.

The echidna's body is ready for anything. This mammal lays eggs and has a beak-like nose, quills like a porcupine, and a pouch like a kangaroo. Male echidnas have leg spurs that contain venom.



How do roosters stand their own crowing?

Their bodies have built-in earplugs!



