

**OBSERVATION**

# Hide-and-Seek

Can you find the gecko in this picture?



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**Hippo  
Fun!**





# Why?

Why do you think rattlesnakes rattle?



A rattlesnake shakes the tip of its tail to make a rattle sound. The sound warns other animals to stay away, or it will bite.

**SORTING**

# What Is Different?

Look at each picture in the top row.  
Find the differences between it and the one below.



**Find one difference.**

**Find two differences.**

**Find three differences.**

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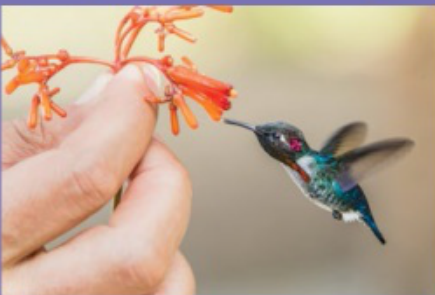


# That's Cool!

Meet the bee hummingbird.

A bee hummingbird is the world's smallest bird.

The bird is about as long as your thumb.



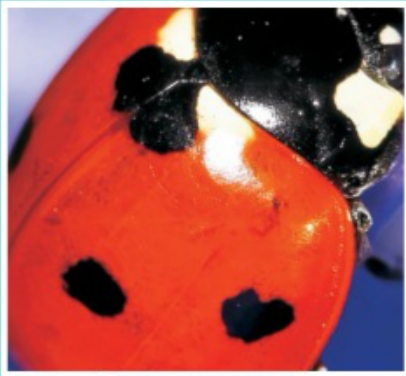
Its nest is as wide as a quarter. The eggs are the size of peas.

KEVIN ELSBY / FLPA / SCIENCE SOURCE (BIRD ON BRANCH);  
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# NAMING

## What in the World Are These?



-ADYBUG



-LOVES



-EE



-QUIRREL



-LOWER



-ATERING CAN



-ARROTS



-ORM



-AKE

NAME OTHER THINGS YOU SEE IN A GARDEN.

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# BOUNCING BABY HIPPOS

Baby hippos live with their mothers in rivers and lakes. The young animals do many things that you do. They just do them underwater.








A hippo's nose, ears, and eyes are on top of its head. That makes it easier to rest in the water and still breathe and look around.



**EAR**



When a baby hippo grows up, it will be able to hold its breath for 5 minutes.



**UNDERWATER**



Baby hippos run, play, and bounce through the water chasing their moms. They even go to the bathroom in the water.



During the day, baby hippos sleep in the water with their moms. Sometimes the baby climbs onto its mother's back to warm up in the sun.

Like all hippos, baby hippos cannot float or swim. They stand, walk, or bounce across the bottom.





The water  
cools the hippos  
and keeps  
their skin from  
drying out.



Hippo is  
a nickname for  
hippopotamus.

At night, the baby  
follows Mom onto  
shore to eat grass. Then  
it is back into the water  
for another day of  
sleeping and playing.

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# COUNTING

Answer the questions below about the colored beach balls in the picture.

How many **green** beach balls can you count?

How many beach balls touch the sand?

Can you find two **orange** balls?

Which color has only one ball?



# COLORS



Are there more  
**pink** balls or  
**orange** balls?

Which color  
is on the  
most number  
of balls?

How many  
beach balls are  
in the air?



# ORANGUTANS IN THE TREES


An orangutan spends most of its life high in forest trees.

Strong hands and feet help it climb.

With its long arms, it swings from branch to branch and tree to tree searching for food.

They eat fruit, nuts, leaves, and insects.





Baby  
orangutans  
watch their  
moms to learn  
what to eat.



Orangutans  
use their hands  
and feet to  
grab food.



Every night, the orangutan builds a new sleeping nest with sticks and leaves.

Except for mothers with babies, orangutans usually live, travel, and eat alone.



Baby orangutans watch their moms make the nest. Then they cuddle and go to sleep.



**MORE**

# PRIMATES



**SPIDER MONKEY**

Orangutans are primates. There are more than 500 kinds. Meet some other primates.



**CHIMPANZEE**

**GOLDEN LION TAMARIN**



**GORILLA**



# TOOL TIME

A tool is something that helps you do a task. Draw a line with your finger to match the tool to the task.



SCISSORS



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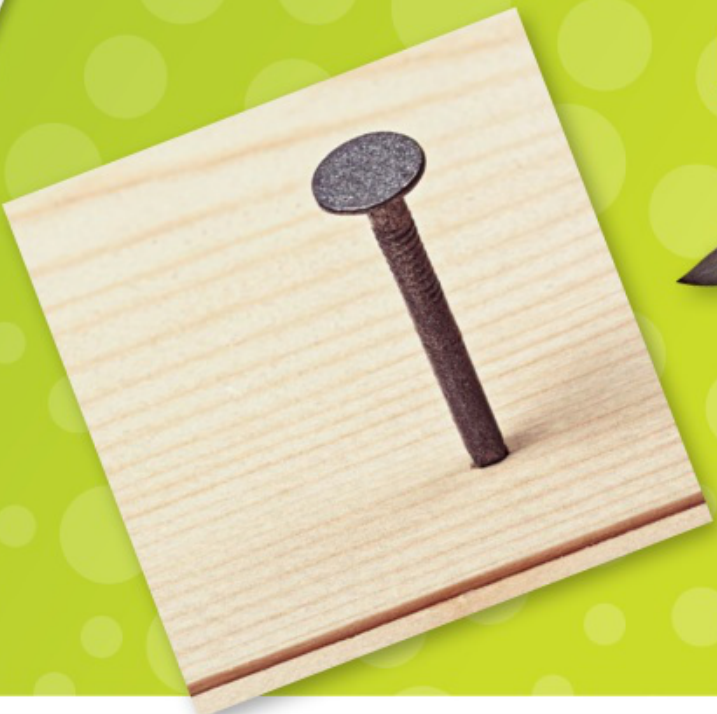
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**What other  
tools do  
you use?**



# A GREEN BEAN

GREEN BEAN POD



SEED

1

A green bean has seeds inside its pod.

2

When a seed is planted in dirt and given water, it starts to grow.





# GROWS



3

The green bean plant reaches up toward the sun as it grows.



4

One green bean plant grows many green beans. Soon the green beans are ready to be picked. It is time to eat them!

READY TO EAT!





# CLAWED DINOSAUR

## FACTS

FOOD  
plants

SIZE



FIVE-YEAR-OLD

*Nothronychus* had huge claws on its hands. It used these claws to grab branches.

This plant-eater had a beak and more than 100 tiny teeth.

**SAY MY NAME:** noh-THRON-ih-cus





**BEAK**



**CLAWS**

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# DRESSED FOR THE WEATHER

Look at the three kinds of weather.  
Match the clothes you would wear for  
the different kinds of weather.

**RAIN**



**SUN**



**SNOW**



**HAT**



**GLASSES**



**MITTENS**







**COAT**

**HAT**

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**EASTERN CHIPMUNK**



# eastern chipmunk

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## **FUN FACTS**

**Eastern chipmunks often dig burrows to live in. As they dig into the ground, they fill their cheeks with dirt and carry it away.**

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**PIPEVINE SWALLOWTAIL BUTTERFLY**

# pipevine swallowtail butterfly

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## **FUN FACTS**

**These butterflies eat nectar, a sweet liquid in flowers. One favorite flower is called pipevine, like the butterfly's name.**

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**HIPPOPOTAMUS**

# hippopotamus

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## **FUN FACTS**

**Hippopotamuses spend most of the day in rivers or lakes. This keeps them cool. At night they leave the water to eat grass.**

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**BLUE SHARK**

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# blue shark

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## **FUN FACTS**

**Blue sharks live in the ocean.  
They eat mostly squid and fish.  
The sharks swim fast, swishing  
their tails from side to side.**

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**RED FOX**

# red fox

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## **FUN FACTS**

**Red foxes are actually dark gray when they are born. They usually grow a reddish coat when they are about a month old.**

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# WILD CARDS



**MOUNTAIN GOAT**

# mountain goat

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## **FUN FACTS**

**A baby mountain goat is called a kid. Its mother is a nanny and the father is a billy. Mountain goats are good rock climbers.**

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