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• Can animals see in the dark?

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Introduction

People and animals see with their eyes. You have two eyes. Some animals have many eyes. Eyes can be little or big, and they can be many colors.

What animals have these eyes?
What color are your eyes?

Now read and discover more about eyes!
What do animals do with their eyes? They look for food. The duck looks for food in water.

The gecko has big eyes. It can see well at night. It looks for insects to eat.

Eyes help to protect animals from other animals. The crab has two eyes on top of its body. It can see big animals, and then it can run away.
Let's look at an eye. It has many parts. This is an elephant's eye. The eyelid and the eyelashes protect the eyeball. There are tears in the eye, too. The eyelid opens and closes, and the tears clean the eye.

The pupil lets light into the eye. This helps people and animals to see. When there's lots of light, the pupil is little. When there's no light, the pupil is big.

Discover! People have tears to clean their eyes. People cry tears when they are sad, too!
Eyes at the Front

People and many animals have two eyes at the front of their head. This helps them to see things far away.

The hawk can fly fast and it can see very well, too. This helps it to hunt little animals to eat.

The monkey has eyes at the front of its head. It can jump from tree to tree and it doesn’t fall.

Owls have eyes at the front of their head. Some owls can move their head around and see behind!

Go to page 22 for activities.
Eyes at the Sides

Many animals have eyes at the sides of their head. They can see in front and behind.

The frog has eyes at the sides of its head. It can look for insects to eat.

The hammerhead shark has a long, flat head. It has eyes at the sides of its head. When it swims, it can see all around.

The stalk-eyed fly can see all around, too. It has eyes on two long stalks.

The chameleon sees all around very well. One eye moves up, and the other eye moves down!
The seal lives on land and in water. It has big, round eyes. It can see very well in water. It hunts fish to eat.

The flatfish has two eyes on one side of its body. It can lie at the bottom of the ocean and look up.

Fish live in water, and they don’t have eyelids. They don’t close their eyes!
At night, some animals sleep. Many other animals look for food. The lemur looks for fruit and little animals to eat. It has big eyes with big pupils. It can see very well in the dark.

It's very dark at the bottom of the ocean. The flashlight fish has lights under its eyes. This helps it to look for little fish to eat.

In the dark, cats and dogs have bright eyes. They can see very well. Look at this cat. What color are its eyes?
Some animals have many eyes. Many spiders have six or eight eyes.

The scallop can have more than 50 little eyes! How many of the eyes can you see here?

Some insects have very many eyes. Look at this dragonfly. Each eye is thousands of little eyes together.
Protect Your Eyes

It’s important for animals to protect their eyes. In the desert there’s a lot of sand. The camel has long eyelashes so the sand doesn’t go in its eyes.

The meercat lives in the desert, too. It’s sunny and windy there. Its eyelids clean the sand from its eyes. The meercat has black fur around its eyes. This protects its eyes when it’s sunny.

People wear sunglasses when it’s very sunny. This protects their eyes. Eyes are important. Remember to protect them!

Go to page 27 for activities.
1 Animal Eyes

Read pages 4–5.

1 Write the words. Then match.

1 brca  
   _____  crab
2 kcego  
   _____
3 ctsisne  
   _____
4 cdku  
   _____

2 Complete the sentences.

see look top big

1 Animals _____ look for food with their eyes.
2 The gecko has _____ eyes.
3 The gecko can _____ well at night.
4 The crab has eyes on _____ of its body.

2 Parts of an Eye

Read pages 6–7.

1 Write the words.

eyelashes eyelid tears eyeball pupil

1 eyelashes  
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____

2 Write true or false.

1 Tears clean the eye.  true
2 The pupil doesn't let light into the eye.  false
3 When there's lots of light, the pupil is big.  true
4 People cry when they are sad.  true
3 Eyes at the Front

Read pages 8–9.

1 Find and write the words.

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1 hawk
2 m
3 h
4 o
5 j

2 Match.

1 The hawk can
2 People have eyes
3 The monkey can
4 Some owls can

jump from tree to tree.
turn their head around.
at the front of their head.
fly fast.

4 Eyes at the Sides

Read pages 10–11.

1 Write the words.

stalk-eyed fly
hammerhead shark
frog
chameleon

1
2
3
4

1 The hammerhead shark has a long, flat round head.
2 The frog has eyes at the sides of its body / head.
3 The stalk-eyed fly has eyes on two / four long stalks.
4 The chameleon can / can’t see all around.
5 In Water

1 Write true or false.

1 The seal lives on land and in water. _____
2 The seal hunts insects to eat. _____
3 The flatfish can lie at the bottom of the ocean. _____
4 Fish have eyelids. _____

2 Find and write the words.

ocean land eyes flat fish seal water

In the Dark

1 Complete the sentences.

pupils lights dark dogs

1 The lemur has big eyes with big ________.
2 At the bottom of the ocean it’s very ________.
3 The flashlight fish has ________ under its eyes.
4 Cats and ________ have bright eyes in the dark.

2 Read and complete the pictures.

1 The lemur has big eyes with big pupils.
2 The flashlight fish has lights under its eyes.
3 In the dark, this cat has yellow eyes.
7 Many Eyes

1 Write the words.
   scallop  spider  dragonfly

2 Complete the sentences.
   six or eight  thousands  more than 50
   1 Many spiders have ___________ eyes.
   2 The scallop has ___________ eyes.
   3 The dragonfly has ___________ of eyes.

3 Find and write the words.
insects  animals  big  eyes  little  many
   1 ___________  3 ___________  5 ___________
   2 ___________  4 ___________  6 ___________

8 Protect Your Eyes

1 Write the words.
   ![Images of people, meercats, camels, long eyelashes, sunglasses, and fur around the eyes]

2 How do they protect their eyes? Match.
   1 people  2 meercats  3 camels
     long eyelashes  sunglasses  fur around the eyes
My Eyes

1 Look in a mirror and draw your eyes. Write the parts.
- eyeball
- eyelashes
- pupil
- eyelid

2 Write about your eyes.

- How many eyes do you have?
  I have

- What color are your eyes?

- Are your eyes big or little?

- Are your eyes at the front or at the sides?

- Can you see in water?

- Can you see in the dark?

- What protects your eyes?
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