

Some animals blend in with their **habitat**. They use **camouflage** to hide or hunt. Some animals fool others by pretending to be something else.

Leafy sea dragon

Octopus

Trapdoor spider

Seabird chick

Surprise	Pretend	Trap	Camouflage
Trick: changing shape, size, or colour	Trick: colours and shapes that make an animal look like something else	Trap: something made by an animal to help it catch prey	Trick: colours and markings that make an animal blend into its surroundings
Example: an octopus turns red or gives off a dark ink to help it hide	Example: some seahorses look like the seaweed they swim in	Example: spiders build a web or make a hidden trap to catch insects	Example: seabird chicks often look like the rocks around their nests
Purpose: confuses a predator, stops it from attacking	Purpose: to fool predators so they don't attack	Purpose: to catch prey without having to hunt or chase it	Purpose: to hide from predators or sneak up on prey
Fact: they do this only when they are scared.	Fact: they look like a poisonous animal; predator is scared and stays away.	Fact: spider silk is very strong, light, stretchy – and sometimes sticky.	Fact: flounders change colour to match the background.