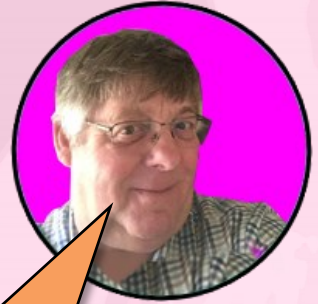




Hide and Eat

With Ranger Paul



Learn about predators and prey and test your camouflage skills.

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WHAT YOU NEED
Card from the recycling bin and glue.

LEARN

1. A 'predator' is an animal that eats other animals, e.g. a fox. 'Prey' is an animal that is eaten by other animals, e.g. a rabbit. Can you name 5 prey and their predators?
2. Often prey are camouflaged so they can't easily be seen by predators, e.g. a grasshopper. Predators also use camouflage to sneak up on prey, e.g. a tawny owl. Can you think of any more?
3. Some animals make themselves a camouflaged home: Hermit crabs use empty shells to hide in; caddis fly larvae stick stones or bits of plant to the outside of their body as camouflage.

MAKE

A camouflaged animal. On a piece of card draw a prey animal or make one up. Next go for a walk and collect camouflage items such as mud, sticks and leaves. Decorate your animal with these by gluing them on, don't forget to leave gaps for the eyes and mouth. Hide your animal and challenge someone to be a 'predator' and find it.

DO

Choose one person to be the prey and another to be a predator and play hide and seek. The predator hides and if they aren't spotted in 3 minutes they get to jump out and try to catch the prey. If they're spotted within the 3 minutes the prey wins. The predator could wear clothes which make them harder to spot, such as green clothes for hiding in grass.



MAKE SOMEONE LAUGH

Why don't you ever see elephants hiding in trees?

Because they're really good at it!

ANSWER

How do stoats camouflage themselves in the snow?
Last week's answer: 2.5% is freshwater



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