# Identifying
# Predator and Prey Images

## American Alligator
### Alligator mississipiensis
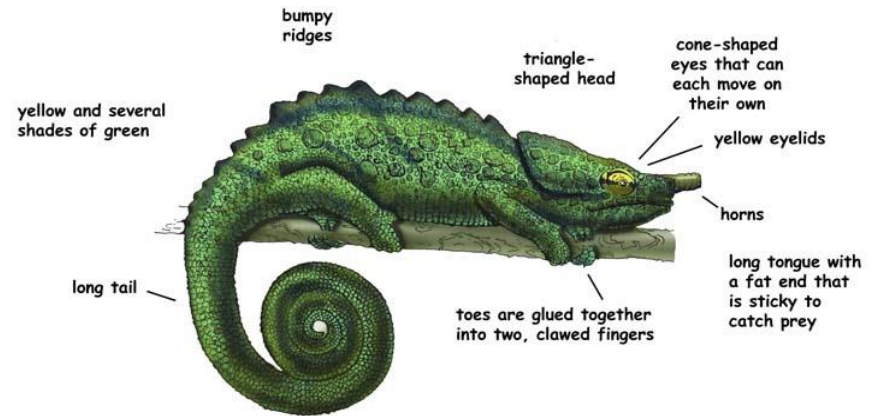
very long, strong tail

hard, green horny plates cover their body

eyes and nostrils are on top of their heads

up to 80 teeth

webbed feet

sharp claws used for digging nest

edge of upper jaw overlaps teeth in lower jaw, so all you see are down-pointing teeth
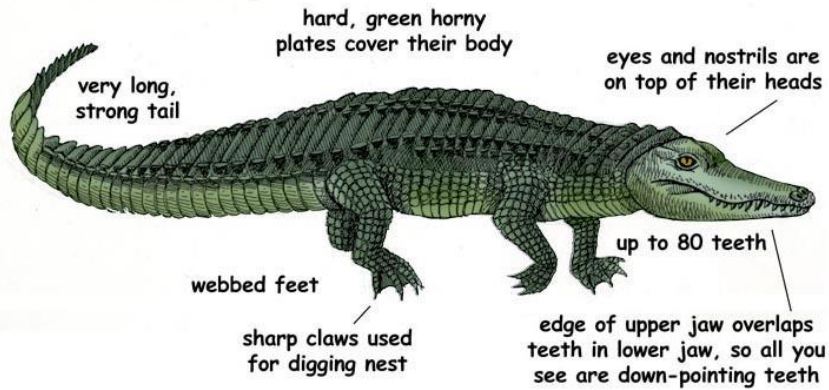
## Parson's Chameleon
### Calumma parsonii

bumpy ridges

triangle-shaped head

cone-shaped eyes that can each move on their own

yellow eyelids

yellow and several shades of green

horns

long tail

toes are glued together into two, clawed fingers

long tongue with a fat end that is sticky to catch prey

## White-Tailed Deer
### Odocoileus virginianus

grayish-brown coat (redder in summer)

males have large, pointed ears

long tail with a white tip

large ears

white belly

white rings around eyes

white throat

black nose

hooved feet
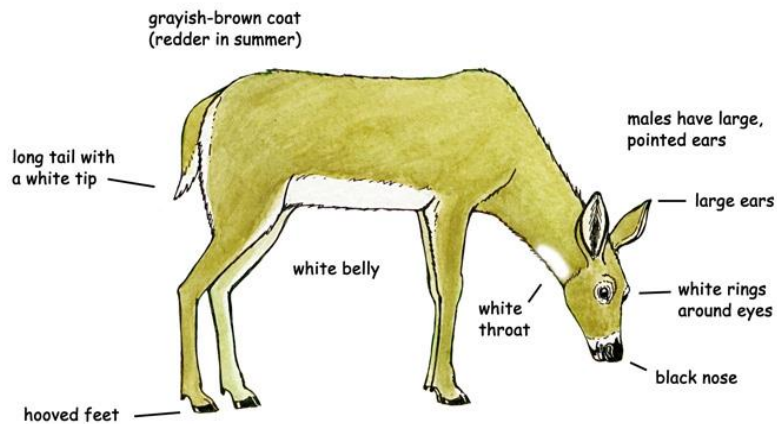
## Great Horned Owl
### Bubo virginianus

feather ear tufts (not ears)

yellow eyes

white throat

rounded face with dark ring around it

brownish-gray with dark stripes (called barring)

males and females look alike, but females can be bigger

sharp claws (talons) for catching prey

fanned tail with stripes

# Red-tailed Hawk
## Buteo jamaicensis

*more than 2 feet tall

dark on top and lighter underneath

wide, red tail with a dark stripe across the bottom

sharp, curved beak

dark band across their chest

sharp claws (talons)

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# Komodo Dragon
## Varanus komodoensis

excellent sense of smell

they grow up to 10 feet long and weigh up to 200 lbs. (females are smaller)

60 shark-like teeth that are made for tearing flesh

long tail (longer than body)

sharp clawed feet for climbing trees

strong legs for running very fast

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# African Lion
## Panthera leo

males have thick mane around head and shoulders

fur is a tawny yellow color

yellow eyes

long tail

powerful front legs for striking prey

retractable claws

tufted end

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# Mayfly
## Ephemerella invaria

large, clear wings

2 long tails

antennae

6 legs

3 body parts; head, thorax, abdomen

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# Atlas Moth
## *Atticus atlas*

the front wings end in a little hook that looks like the head of a snake to scare off predators

feathered antennae

6 legs
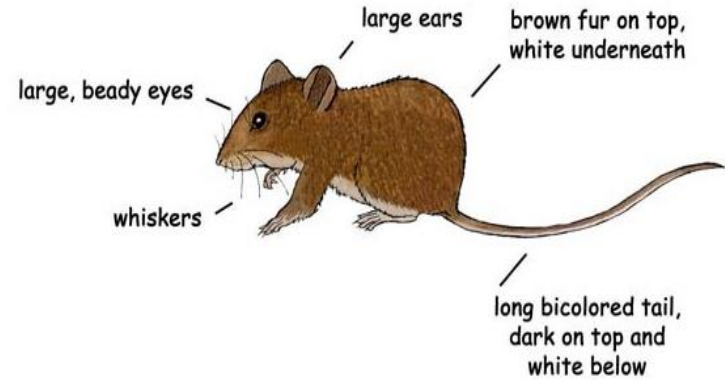
wings are orange-brown colored with greenish edges

3 body parts; head, thorax, abdomen

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# Deer Mouse
## Peromyscus maniculatus

large ears

brown fur on top, white underneath

large, beady eyes

whiskers

long bicolored tail, dark on top and white below

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# Yellow Perch
## *Perca flavescens*

lateral line

spiny dorsal fin

soft dorsal fin

caudal fin (tail)

gill covering (operculum)

eye

mouth

anal fin

pectoral fin

pelvic fin

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# Praying Mantis
## *Mantis religiosa*

antennae

big, powerful eyes

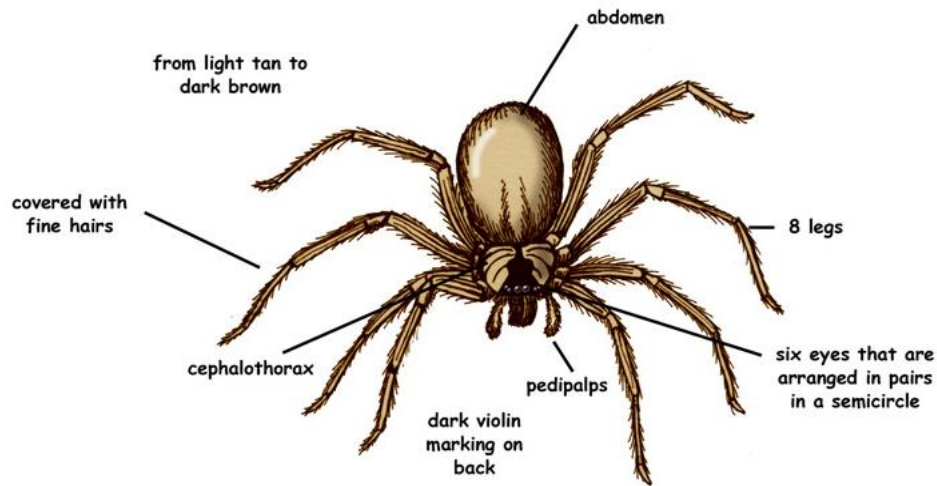front legs have rows of sharp spines used to grasp prey

long, slender body with longer wings

6 legs

3 body parts; head, thorax, abdomen

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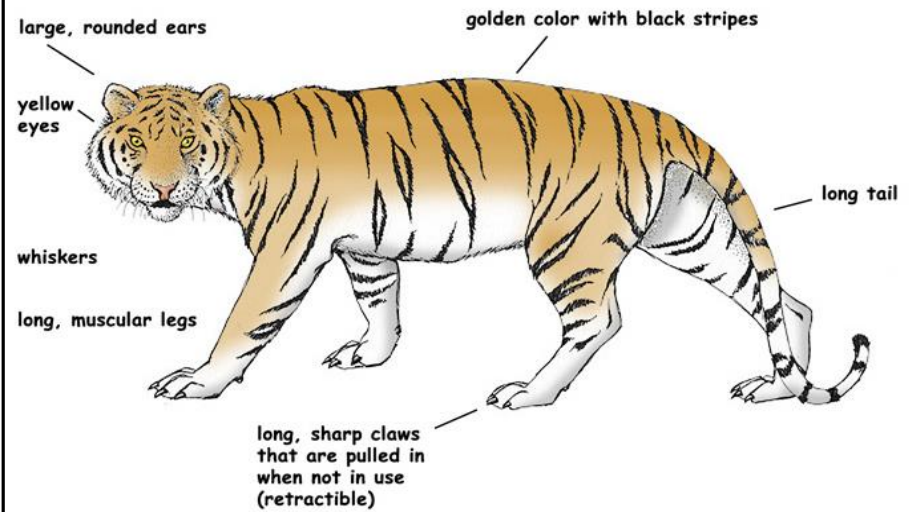©Sheri Amsel

# Brown Recluse Spider
### Loxosceles reclusa

abdomen

from light tan to dark brown

covered with fine hairs

8 legs

cephalothorax

pedipalps

six eyes that are arranged in pairs in a semicircle

dark violin marking on back

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# Tiger
### Panthera tigris

large, rounded ears

golden color with black stripes

yellow eyes

long tail

whiskers

long, muscular legs

long, sharp claws that are pulled in when not in use (retractible)

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# Rainbow Trout
### Oncorhynchus mykiss

forked tail

pinkish-red stripe that runs down each side

fins

gills

olive-brown color with dark spotting, a lighter gray belly
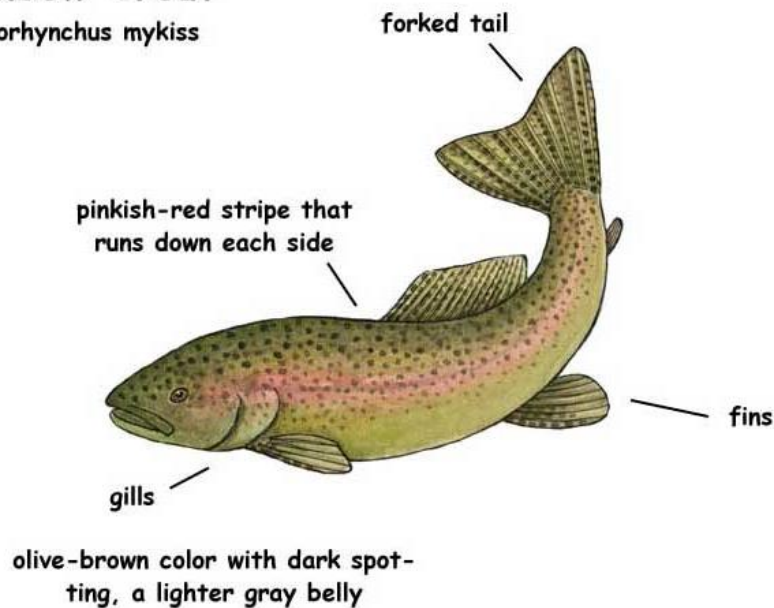
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# Albacore Tuna
### Thunnus alalunga

large dorsal fin with up to 14 dorsal spines that point backward

soft rays fins

many small anal fins

shiny, blue band along their sides

gills

very long pectoral fins

tail

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