



Science Your Way Texts



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JUST LIKE ANIMALS!

By Sarah Wassner Flynn



What helps this turtle stay protected?



Amy is going for a
bike ride.
Before she takes off,
she needs one
important item.
What is it?
Her helmet!



When you ride a bike, you wear a helmet to protect your head.
This way, you won't get hurt if you fall!



Some animals have special parts that protect them, too.

Many turtles have hard shells.

A turtle's shell keeps it safe from other animals.

A turtle can pull into its shell to hide from **predators**.



Some animals have special parts that help in other ways.
Some birds have hooked beaks with very sharp edges.
This lets them rip into the meat of their **prey**.



Fish-eating birds, like the black-crowned night heron, also have long, sharp beaks. These beaks help them catch fish.



Just like a bird uses its sharp beak to tear into its prey, your mom and dad may use a sharp knife to cut tough food, like meat, for you.



Did You Know?



Elephant
trunks can
**lift up to
770 pounds.**

An elephant has a long trunk that helps it suck up water.

This is similar to how you use a straw to suck up
every last drop of a milkshake! Yum!

Our tools help us to do things animals are able to do!



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bike ride.

She can't go yet.

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Some animals have special parts. They are made to protect them, too.

Many turtles have hard shells. A turtle's shell keeps it safe.

A turtle can pull into its shell. This lets it hide from other animals.



Some animals have special parts that help in other ways.
Some birds have hooked beaks. The beaks have very sharp edges.
This lets them rip into their food.



The black-crowned night heron eats fish.
It also has a long, sharp beak.
Its beak helps it catch fish.



Your mom and dad may use a sharp knife.
This is just like a bird uses its sharp beak. The bird rips into its meat.
Your mom and dad cut meat for you.



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