

Assignment:-3

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**DEFENSE MECHANISM OF ANIMALS**

- **Opossums** are of the size of cats. When they feel they are in real danger, they pretend to be dead and produce a smell like that of a dead body. This makes their attackers lose interest and go away.
- **Electric eels** are long South American fish, which can generate strong electric shocks to kill their prey and scare away their attackers. They can produce a 300–650 volt charge—a charge powerful enough to stun humans.
- **Hairy frogs** have hair like structures on their sides, which help them get more oxygen. When these frogs feel they are under attack, they break the bones of their own toe pads to allow cat-like claws to come out and scare away the attackers.
- **Horned lizards**, also known as horned toads, live in deserts or semi-desert areas. When they feel they are in danger, they inhale air and expand their bodies to look big and strong.
- **Newts**, a type of amphibian, are known to protect themselves by secreting poison from their skin. The Spanish ribbed newt, a special species of newt, also protects itself by using its sharp ribs as a weapon.
- **Rattlesnakes** are called so because of the rattle-like structure they have on the tips of their tails. The buzzing sound of this rattle works as a warning device. When in danger, the snakes use the vibrating rattle to warn their enemies to stay away.

**Answer the following questions using the help box given below.**

1. What is the only animal to grow antlers that are branched and shed every year? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Which sea animal comes to land to lay eggs? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Which animal is endangered because of its ivory tusks? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Which is the world's largest animal? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which bird, found in Antarctica, can swim but not fly? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Which long-haired, ox-like animal, found in the mountains of Tibet, is a source of milk and clothing? \_\_\_\_\_

**Help Box**

1. blue whale
2. yak
3. penguin
4. turtle
5. deer
6. elephant