# ANIMAL SENSES



## READING

Grades: K-2

**Objective:** Students will practice their informational reading and note-taking skills.

#### What's Inside?

- Reading passage
- Questions
- Note organizer

Sources: ReadWorks



## **Super Animal Senses**

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There are five senses that both humans and many animals have. But some animals have one sense that is super sharp.

Chameleons have super sight. They can move their two eyes separately from each other. Chameleons can look two ways at the same time.

Catfish have super taste. Humans have taste buds on our tongues.

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Catfish have taste buds all over their bodies. Catfish are like swimming tongues!

Red foxes have super hearing. They can hear mice squeaking under the snow from very far away. The red fox's super hearing helps it catch dinner in the wintertime!

### Vocabulary

### sense

noun

definition: A sense is a way your body and brain get information about the world outside your body.

Human beings have five senses. They are touch, smell, taste, sight and hearing.

Spanish: sentido

sight

noun

definition: When you have sight, you can see. Sight is one of the five senses that humans have.

The others are hearing, taste, touch, and smell.

Spanish: vista

taste

noun

definition: Taste is one of the senses, like seeing or touching, that people use to learn about what

is around them. Taste is the sense that tells us the flavor of things like foods and

medicines. Just as we use our ears for hearing and our eyes to see, we use our tongue

for taste.

Spanish: gusto

Name:	Date:

- 1. How many senses do humans and many animals have in common?
  - A. one
  - B. seven
  - C. five
- **2.** This text describes the supersharp sense of three animals. What sense do chameleons have that is supersharp?
  - A. hearing
  - B. taste
  - C. sight
- **3.** Catfish have taste buds all over their bodies. What does this information tell us about catfish?
  - A. Catfish can taste the water without even opening their mouth.
  - B. Catfish swallow the water around them to taste it.
  - C. Catfish don't taste their food very well.

- 4. What is "Super Animal Senses" mainly about?
  - A. the five senses
  - B. a catfish's sense of taste
  - C. the super senses of three animals
- **5.** What sense does a red fox have that is supersharp?

The sense that a red fox has that is supersharp is

- 6. What did you learn from "Super Animal Senses"?
- **7. Class Discussion Question:** Describe what makes a sense "supersharp." Use information from the text to support your answer.
- **8.** Draw a picture of a red fox hunting for dinner in the wintertime.

# 3-2-1 **Notes**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Topic \_\_\_\_\_

3 things I learned
1.
2.
3.
2 questions I have
1. 2.
2.
1 picture