




Animal Adaptations

Match the animals on page 1 with the adaptations on page 2. Each adaptation helps the animal to survive in the environment in which it lives. You may find it useful to think about the natural environment of each animal before you start.

				
Giraffe	Meerkat	Sloth	Alaskan Wood Frog	Camel
				
Fennec fox	Dolphin	Leopard Gecko	Armadillo	Penguin

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