

Just Like Animals!
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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!