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# Now You See Them, Now You Don't!

Some animals look just like the green leaves that surround them. Others are a perfect match for the rough, gray rocks they live among. Still others are colored so that they disappear into the sandy bottom of the sea.

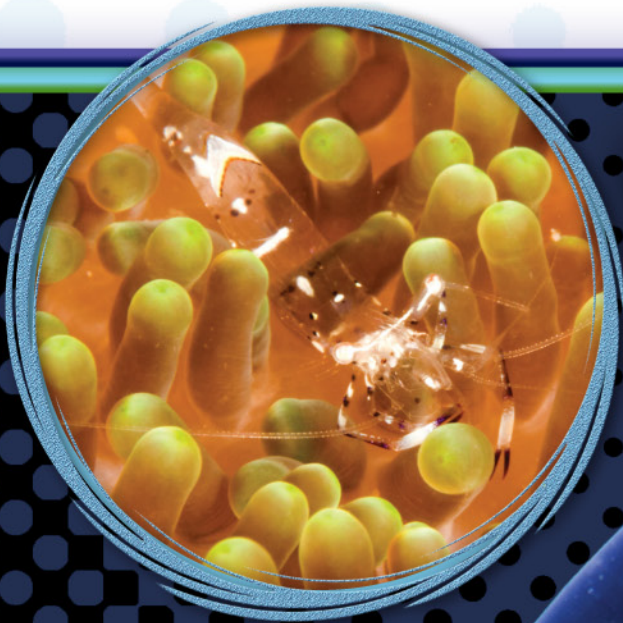


Clearwing  
butterfly



Jellyfish

There are some creatures, however, that have very little or no color at all. These **transparent**, or see-through, animals are able to **camouflage** themselves by letting their background show through their bodies. In other words, wherever they go, they are just about invisible. In this book, you'll get to see nine of these animals and find out how their invisibility helps them survive. Pay close attention, though—or they might disappear before your eyes!



Transparent  
anemone  
shrimp



Glass squid



# Clearwing Butterfly


Butterflies are some of the most colorful animals on Earth. One kind, however, has wings that have almost no color at all. It is known as the clearwing butterfly.

The butterfly's transparent wings make the **insect** hard to see when it is keeping still. For example, when it is resting on a leaf or sipping the **nectar** that it feeds on from a flower, the clearwing is nearly invisible. The butterfly is also hard to see when it is in flight. That's even more important for its survival, since birds often spot and snatch butterflies as the insects move their wings to flutter through the air.



Clearwing butterflies live in warm, wet forests in Central America.





Clearwing butterflies  
are also known as  
glasswing butterflies.

vein

Veins are parts of a butterfly's wings that are not transparent. These narrow tubes carry blood and also help the wings hold their shape.

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have the power of invisibility?  
The surprising answer is yes. Look  
inside to find out about glass frogs,  
transparent sea butterflies, and other  
see-through creatures that survive by  
performing vanishing acts wherever  
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