

Camouflage and Mimicry

Grade 2 Life Systems

Camouflage or Mimicry?

Draw a line between the animals that are mimicking each other!

The diagram shows four animals on the left and four on the right, connected by lines indicating mimicry:

- The red and black striped snake on the left is connected to the green snake on the right.
- The brown butterfly with eye spots on the left is connected to the monarch butterfly on the right.
- The green caterpillar with eye spots on the left is connected to the owl on the right.
- The monarch butterfly on the left is connected to the red and black striped snake on the right.

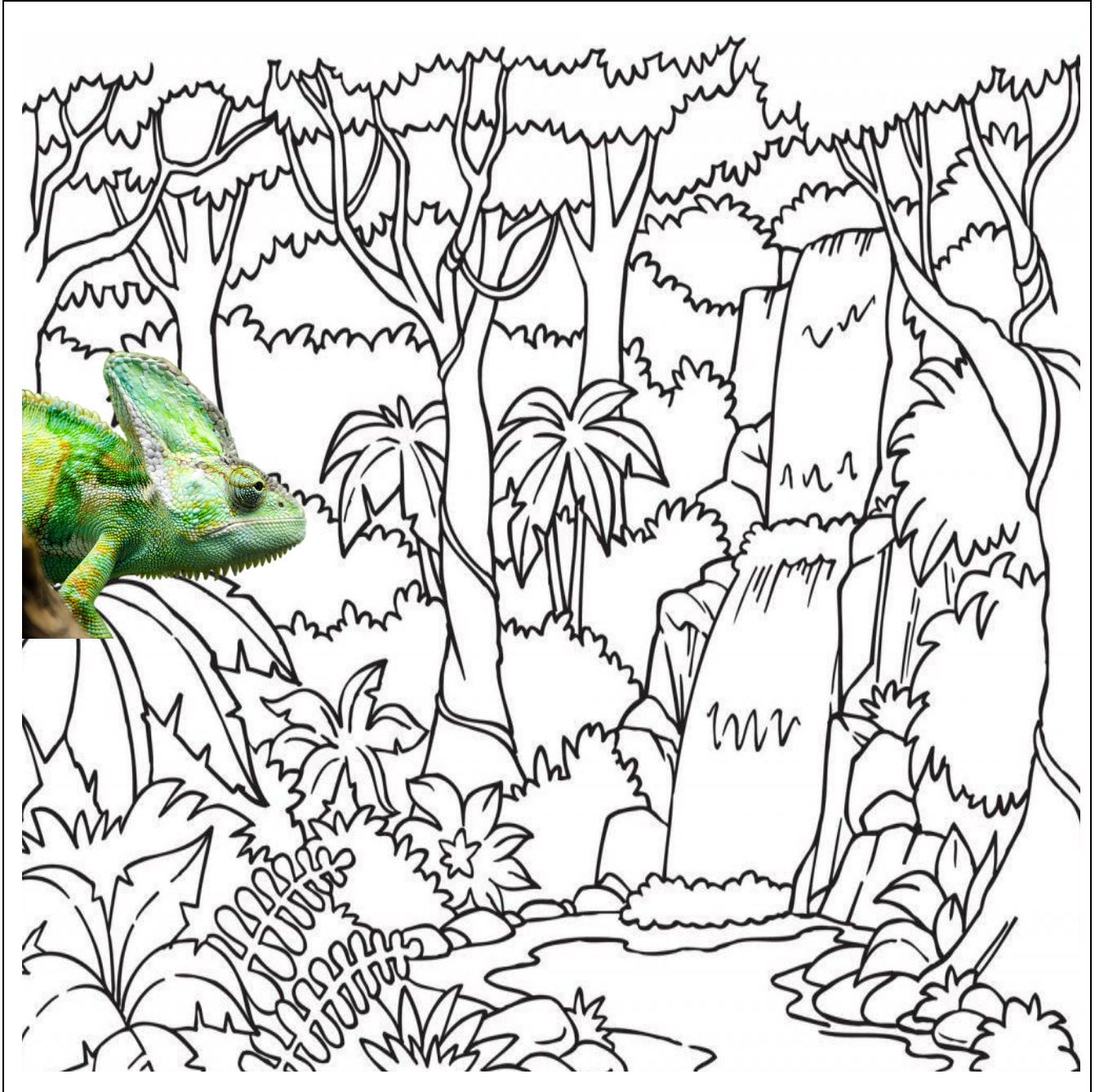
Why do animals mimic each other?

- to draw attention to a less vulnerable part of the body
- to confuse predators
- to fool predators into thinking they are a different animal
- to pretend to be poisonous, dangerous, etc

Why do animals need to camouflage?

- to blend in to their surroundings
- to hide from predators
- to hide and sneak up on prey

Chameleons are experts at camouflage! Colour the background so the chameleon can camouflage from its predators!



(Colour the background green!)