

Blast-Ended Skrewts

Newborn skrewts look like locusts. They _____ (HAVE) legs sticking out at odd angles. They _____ (BE) about six inches long and _____ (SMELL) like rotten fish. Sparks _____ (FLY) from their ends, occasionally propelling them forward a few inches. Males _____ (HAVE) stingers and females _____ (HAVE) suction cups on their bodies to suck blood. Skrewts do not hibernate during the winter. After two months of caring, the skrewts _____ (BE) ten feet long and very short-tempered, making it difficult to get close to them. Glossy gray shells _____ (GROW) over their pale bodies and _____ (BEGIN) to resemble a cross between giant scorpions and elongated crabs. The males _____ (KEEP) their stingers on their backs, and they _____ (BE) very dangerous and repulsive.

From their tail, they expel a deadly poison used in many potions against dark forces.

