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TONGUES

Animals' tongues are used for many things. A fox does not sweat when it is hot. It puts its tongue out of its mouth and pants. When he pants, it means he breathes in and out very fast. This is the way the fox keeps cool.

Lions use their tongues to keep their fur clean. Their tongues are rough. It works like a brush on their fur.

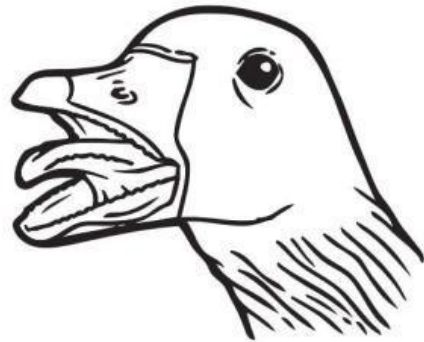
Geckos use their tongues to lick their eyes. They do not have eyelids, so the tongue helps them to keep their eyes clean.

Chameleons use their tongue to catch insects. Their tongues are long and sticky. It makes hunting easy.

If a goose does not want someone around, it sticks out its tongue and makes a hissing noise.

Snakes have long, thin tongues. They are split in the middle. They use their tongues to smell for mice and other small prey.

Did you know animals used their tongues in so many ways?



STORY QUESTIONS

1. Synonyms are words that mean the same thing. Split is a synonym for . . .

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| a. sew. | c. clean. |
| b. cut. | d. make. |

2. What can chameleons do with their tongues?

- a. play a game
- b. eat large animals
- c. catch bugs
- d. lick their eyes

3. Which word from the text can be used in more than one way?

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| a. tongue | c. pants |
| b. did | d. smell |