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READING: "The ugliest animals"

1. Read the text.

BLOBFISH
we love you!

The blobfish isn't the most **beautiful** fish on the planet and it isn't the most **common**. It's a **dull** colour and you don't usually see it because it lives 1,000 metres under the seas near Australia.

But now the blobfish is famous because people say that it's the ugliest animal in the world. There are photos and articles about it in magazines and on the internet. This is really good for the blobfish and for other 'ugly' animals. But why?

Every year, thousands of species of animals become extinct. We often see information about the most interesting, the most beautiful and the most **colourful**, such as whales, butterflies or pandas. But some of the ugliest animals are also some of the rarest, and they also need our help.

On lists of the world's 'ugliest' animals, the blobfish is often number one, but there are other fantastic creatures on the lists. For example, the monkey with the biggest nose (the proboscis monkey) and the frog with the weirdest face (the purple frog).

Are they really ugly? No, they're interesting and **rare**. The best idea is to protect all animals.



2. Which sentences does the writer agree with? Select two of them.

- 1 It's important to **protect** all animals because they are all interesting.
- 2 It's best to protect the beautiful **species**, not the ugly ones.
- 3 A lot of species **become extinct** every year. Animals in **danger** need our **help**.

3. Read again and write T (true) or F (false).

- 1 The blobfish is quite rare.
- 2 The blobfish sometimes lives in rivers.
- 3 It's good that there are photos and articles about the blobfish.
- 4 There's a lot of information about pandas, but not whales.
- 5 The purple frog is on the ugliest animals list.