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National Geographic Readers: Ugly Animals: Criss Cross

Answer clues based on the content and vocabulary words from National Geographic Readers: Ugly Animals. Look for hints in the Word Bank. Print the puzzle or use on your tablet, phone, or computer.



Across

- 2. The praying mantis gets its name from its front ____.
- **3.** The naked mole rat's big <u>help</u> it dig tunnels and find food.
- 6. Scientists think the leaf-nosed bat uses its nose for ____.
- 7. On the short-horned lizard, <u>warn predators to back off.</u>
- 8. A colugo's stretched ____ acts like a sail to help it glide through the air.
- **9.** A jumping spider spots prey with its eight ____.

Down

- **1.** The anglerfish dangles a ____ from its head that looks like food.
- **4.** A tapir's ____ grabs leaves and fruit to eat.
- **5.** The star-nosed mole has 22 ____ on the end of its nose that help it to feel prey in a flash.
- 7. A hagfish makes its own ____.

Word Bank

LEGS	TRUNK	EYES	SPINES
TEETH	TENTACLES	SKIN	ECHOLOCATION
SLIME	LIGHT		

Answer Key

