ACTIVITY CAMO FLAGE IN NATURE

Directions:

As you see each t pe of camouflage, identify where you may have seen this camouflage before in nature.

Type of Camouflage	Where might we see this camouflage in nature?
Obscuring camouflage attempts to blend the object into the environment to appear invisible. The object's coloration or covering is designed to match the visual appearance of the anticipated background.	
Disruptive camouflage uses bright and contrasting colors which creates visual cues that confuse the camouflaged object's true features. This prevents the observer from accurately identifying key characteristics, such as shape, size, speed and direction of travel.	
Countershading cancels out the shading that comes from natural overhead sunlight since the object is darker on the top and lighter underneath. The result in both land and sea dwelling animals is that the animal appears flatter, which conceals their presence to predators.	
Mimicry camouflage makes an object appear to be something very different than what it actually is. By taking on the characteristics or appearance of something else, an animal may appear to be less desirable as a meal or even dangerous.	