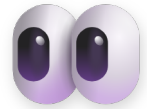
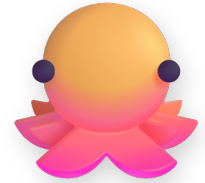


Read the passage carefully. Then answer the questions using clues from the text.

The Octopus's Changing Colors: A Clever Hide

A small octopus was resting on a smooth gray rock. Its skin was also gray, blending in perfectly. A big fish swam slowly by, but it did not see the octopus. The octopus stayed very still.

Then, the octopus moved to a patch of bright green seaweed. In a flash, its skin turned green too! It looked just like another part of the plant. A crab scuttled past, not noticing the clever octopus hiding there.



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

(1) Based on the passage, what can you conclude about the octopus?

- A The octopus is very good at hiding.
- B The octopus likes to play games.
- C The octopus is always gray or green.
- D The octopus is afraid of all other animals.

(2) What does the passage suggest about why the octopus changes its color?

- A It changes color to hide from other animals.
- B It changes color because it is bored.



- C It changes color to show off its pretty skin.
- D It changes color to find its friends.

(3) The author mentions the big fish swimming by most likely to show that...

- A the octopus's camouflage helps it stay hidden.
- B the fish was looking for the octopus.
- C the octopus was scared of the fish.
- D the fish was a friend to the octopus.

(4) Which statement is NOT well-supported by evidence from the passage?

- A The octopus can change the color of its skin.
- B The octopus stays very still when it hides.
- C The octopus likes to play games with other animals.
- D The octopus can hide in different places.

(5) What clues in the passage helped you figure out the octopus is good at hiding? Write one sentence.

