The archer fish and the velvet worm have developed amazing ways of catching their food. Can you guess how they do it? Watch and see.

**Do the preparation task first.** Then, watch the video and do the exercises. Remember you can check the transcript at any time.

**Preparation**

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

1. a marksman
2. prey
3. a lasso
4. to compensate
5. an adhesive
6. accurate
7. unique
8. ballistics

- a. an animal that is hunted or killed by another animal for food
- b. a person who is skilled at shooting a gun at a target
- c. correct or exact
- d. the study of objects that are shot or thrown through the air (such as a bullet from a gun)
- e. to lessen the bad effect of something or make up for a weakness
- f. unusual, special or different
- g. a rope with a loop that is used for catching animals
- h. a substance used for sticking things together

1. **Check your understanding: multiple choice**

Circle the best answer to these questions.

1. **How does the archer fish catch its prey?**
   - It fires a gun at it. / It glues it in place. / It shoots water at it.

2. **How does the archer fish force the water out of its mouth?**
   - It closes its gills. / It makes a gun barrel. / It uses a water pistol.

3. **What does the archer fish need to compensate for?**
   - the distance / the way light bends / its target

4. **What does the archer fish shoot at?**
   - prey / worms / anything that moves or glows

5. **How does the velvet worm catch its prey?**
   - with a pistol / with adhesive / with a net

6. **How does the velvet worm eat its prey?**
   - It sucks it dry. / It glues it down. / It cuts it with a knife.
2. Check your understanding: circling
Circle archer fish or velvet worm for these sentences.

1. It makes a water pistol. archer fish velvet worm
2. It presses its tongue against a groove in its mouth. archer fish velvet worm
3. It has two pistols. archer fish velvet worm
4. It adjusts for the way light bends. archer fish velvet worm
5. It fires lassos of glue. archer fish velvet worm
6. It can shoot up to a metre. archer fish velvet worm
7. It is accurate up to two metres. archer fish velvet worm
8. It glues down its prey. archer fish velvet worm

3. Check your vocabulary: gap fill – verbs
Complete the gaps with a verb from the box.

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1. The archer fish ______________ its gills to force out the water.
2. The fish ______________ its firing angle to compensate for the optical illusion.
3. Archers ______________ anything that moves or glows.
4. Velvet worms ______________ lassos of glue.
5. The adhesive ______________ in seconds.
6. The velvet worm’s knife-like jaw ______________ its victim.

4. Check your vocabulary: grouping – weapons and people who use them
Write the words into the correct group.

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Discussion
What animals do you think are amazing?