

# How Owls See

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Owls have claws and beaks. They have big eyes that see very well in the dark. But owls cannot move their eyes from side to side. An owl can only look straight ahead. So how does it see something that is behind it? The owl turns its head all the way around!

Humans can't do that. If people want to see what is behind them, they have to turn their bodies around. But an owl can rotate just its head to look in the opposite direction. Owls can even turn their heads upside down!

The owl's big eyes and amazing turning head make it a great night hunter.

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1. What can owls NOT do with their eyes?

- A. look straight ahead
- B. move their eyes from side to side
- C. see in the dark

2. How does the text describe an owl's eyes?

- A. An owl's eyes can move in all directions.
- B. An owl's eyes are small, brown, and watery.
- C. An owl's eyes are big and can see very well in the dark.

3. Owls are great night hunters. What information from the text shows us this is true?

- A. Owls have very big eyes that see very well in the dark.
- B. Owls can only look straight ahead.
- C. Humans can't turn their heads all the way around.

4. What is "How Owls See" mostly about?

- A. what owls do at night
- B. how owls can see things
- C. how humans can see things

**5.** What part of its body does an owl move to see something that is behind it?

The owl moves

**6.** What did you learn from "How Owls See"?

**7. Class Discussion Question:** Use information from the text to compare how humans and owls look at something that is behind them.

**8.** Draw a picture of an owl looking at something that is behind it.