

Springboard into Comprehension

Identifying Detail Sunflowers

Main Idea The Jungle Monster

Sequencing Dragon's Best Crown

Compare and Contrast Parrots of the Pacific

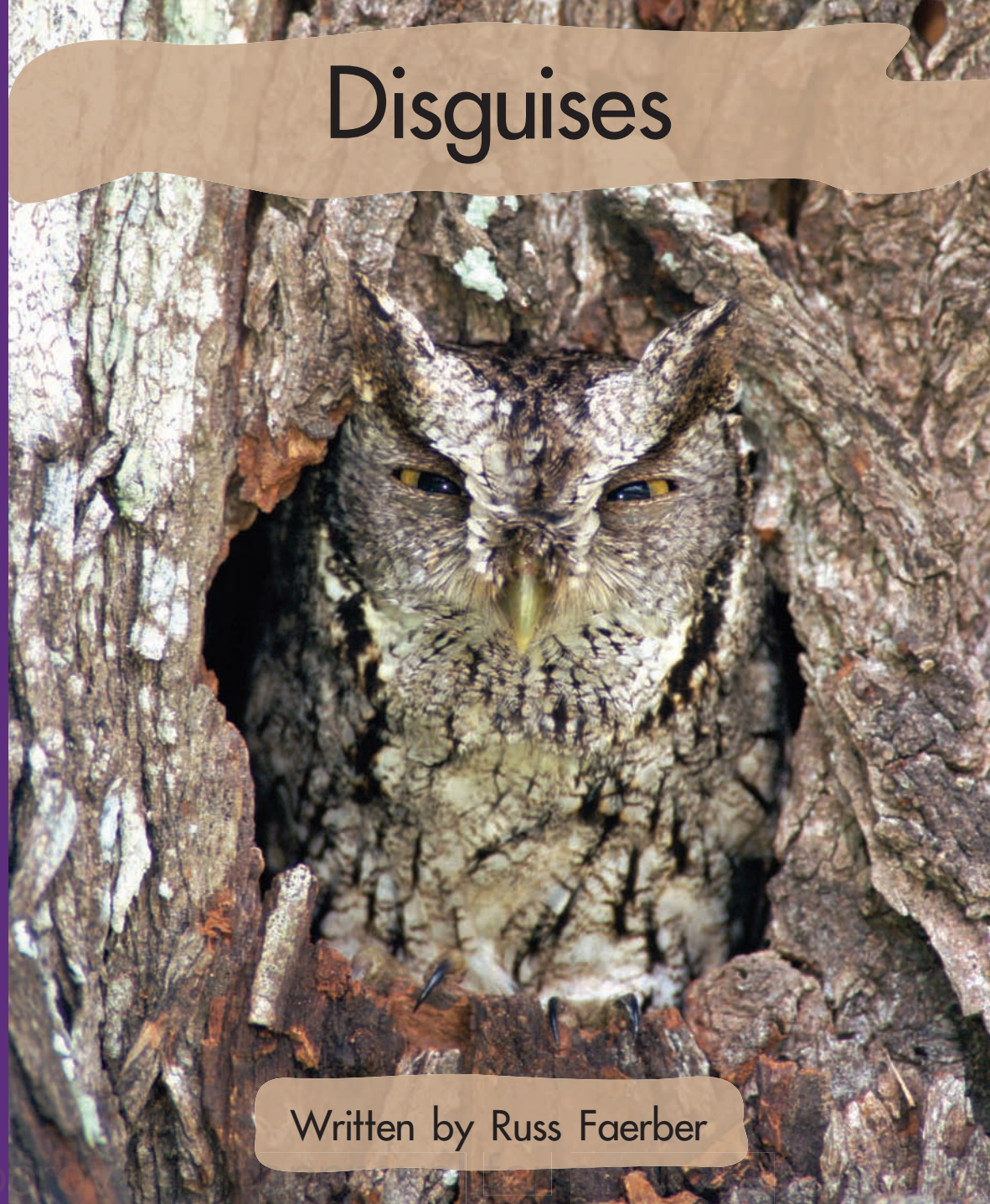
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Introduction

Animals have many ways to find food and escape danger.

Some animals have disguises that help them look or move like other animals.

Some animals have disguises that help them look like the background.

These disguises help animals catch food.

They help them escape danger.



This looks like a feather, but it is really a caterpillar.

Animals That Look Like Other Animals

When animals make themselves look like other animals, it is called **mimicry**.

Mimicry keeps away predators.

Some animals copy the colour patterns, or **colouration**, of dangerous animals.

Predators will not attack something if it looks like a dangerous animal.

This milk snake looks like a dangerous coral snake.



On a real coral snake, red touches yellow not black.

Wasps have a nasty sting,
so predators keep away from them.
Because predators keep away from wasps,
other insects copy, or mimic, wasps.
Predators then keep away
from the other insects, too,
because they look like wasps.
The ash borer, the hoverfly,
and the wasp beetle all look like wasps.



This wasp has the same
colouration as a wasp beetle.

This wasp beetle looks like
a wasp, but it cannot sting.

