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- a. to show how animals can be scary
- b. to teach how to stop animals from spitting
- c. to tell a funny story about animals
- d. to explain how spitting helps animals in different ways

2. Explain how the archerfish hunts its prey.

3. Reread the sentence from the article. Then answer the question.

Then, using its **sensitive** whiskers, the walrus finds the meal on the ocean floor.

What is the best definition of **sensitive**?

- a. complicated b. highly responsive c. emotional d. easily changed

ANSWER KEY

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