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Review

- 1. Lions can't see zebras in tall grass because ___
 - A. lions do not hunt animals with black and white stripes.
 - B. lions are colorblind, so they blend into the place in which they live.
 - C. lions are shorter than zebras, so lions can't see zebras in grass.
 - D. lions are colorblind, and they can't see the stripes of zebras in tall grass.

2. How do stripes help an individual zebra hide from lions?	