

# Creature Card #2



Western Fence Lizard

- Can change color from light grey or tan to nearly jet black to fit their surroundings or thermoregulate while basking in the sun.
- Nicknamed “blue-belly” because male adults have bright blue throats and abdominal undersides. They’re seen doing push-ups to display their colors as a common territorial behavior.



*AFengler*

- Can detach or drop their tails to escape from predators. The tail usually regrows in 3-5 weeks.
- They have an immunity to Lyme disease, found in some ticks. A protein in the lizard’s blood kills the bacteria that causes the disease.



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