

# What Gets Away

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5 Little things hide. Sometimes they  
scuttle away like dry leaves in a sudden  
wind. Tidepools are full of these  
panicky creatures, and rock slides  
have jittery populations hidden from the world  
and even from each other.

10 Herodotus tells about the shyest  
animal there is. It's the one even  
Alexander the Great and his whole  
conquering army had never seen, and people  
– no matter how hard they try –  
will never see.