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## Lionfish: Stripes, Spines, and Stunning Colors

### Short Answer Key

1. Lionfish are typically red, white, orange, and brown.
2. The stripes help the lionfish blend into coral reefs, making it hard for predators and prey to see them.
3. The venomous spines protect the lionfish by stinging anything that tries to attack.
4. The lionfish gets its name from its large, flowing fins that look like a lion's mane.
5. A lionfish catches its prey by blending in with its surroundings and quickly swallowing it with its large mouth.

