



Gordon the chameleon



This is a true story about Gordon the Chameleon.

**He really needed help. He was very unwell
as his needs had not been met.**

Gordon's first carers did not know how to care for him properly. They handled him roughly which meant his tail became broken and he had an infection on his skin from the wrong diet and enclosure. Gordon was handed into an animal charity.

The reptile experts at the charity knew that Gordon would really struggle to get back to full health, as they had cared for Chameleons before. They had all of the knowledge they needed and they were going to do their very best for Gordon and try to make him well again.

They gave Gordon time, treatment and care and he DID begin to get better. Gordon liked his new, large enclosure better as it had living plants inside, it was warm and he had lots of things to keep him busy along with healthy food and water.

Despite having to have some of his tail removed, Gordon made a good recovery and he was adopted by Fred. Fred became his new carer as he had the skill and knowledge to create the best life that Gordon could have outside of the wild.

**This is a real story and Gordon lived a happier life with his new carer Fred.
He was rescued in 2019.**

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How do you think Gordon was feeling?

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How was Gordon affected by the actions of people?

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Why do Gordon's feelings matter?
