

This colorful fish looks as if it fell in a bucket of red paint! It is a Siamese fighting fish, or betta. Male bettas come in many bright colors, and their colors grow even brighter when the fish are excited.



Siamese fighting fish really do fight! A male betta attacks any other male that comes too close. If the loser is lucky, he gets away with a few torn fins. Sometimes the two fish keep fighting until one is seriously hurt or killed.



