



KEEP ON EXPLORING!

There are over 8.7 million species of animals in the world!

Keep the animal fun going with one of these activities or do some more exploring on your own.

Biodiversity Scavenger Hunt. A healthy environment needs biodiversity, or lots of different plants and animals. Use the Biodiversity Scavenger Hunt page to explore the variety of life that exists near you—both outside and inside!

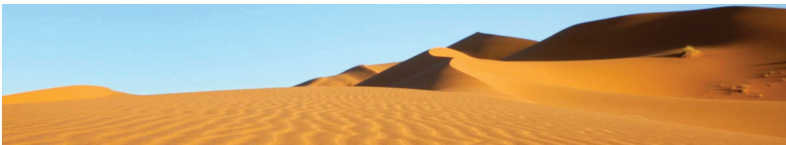
Critter Camouflage. Some animals use **camouflage**—matching their color, shape, or texture to their surroundings—to protect themselves from predators. Color the animals on the Critter Camouflage page to match your environment. Cut them out and place them around the room in plain sight, but where they blend into the background. Challenge someone to find as many critters as they can in 1 minute.

Master of Disguise! An octopus can change the color and texture of its skin to quickly blend into the environment and hide from predators.



Imagine an Animal. Dream up a new kind of animal species and draw or make a model of it. What is the animal called? What does it eat? Where does it live? What other living things would live there? How is your animal adapted for its environment? You can also build your new animal a habitat diorama.

Explore New Places. Search online or check out a book from the library to discover more about animals living in an environment far away from Oregon, such as the Sahara Desert or the Arctic tundra.



You Can Make a Difference!

Animals need a clean, safe, and healthy environment. You can help!

- Make spaces that are friendly to living things in your yard or neighborhood. Try adding more plants, putting out bird feeders, or picking up trash.
- Conserve natural resources, like water and energy. Take shorter showers, turn off the water while you brush your teeth, and turn off the lights when you leave a room.



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