



Staying Alive!

Exploring physical and behavioral adaptations that keep animals alive

Location in the Zoo: Throughout the Zoo

Materials: Pencil

Activity: Complete the following Zoo activities to discover what an animal needs to stay alive.



Observing Animals

Look at a Zoo map to find the Animal Encounter schedule and choose an Animal Encounter to see:

Animal

Time of Encounter

After the Encounter, describe one body part that helps this animal survive. What is that body part used for? Feel free to ask a Zookeeper for help!

Body Part

What is it used for?

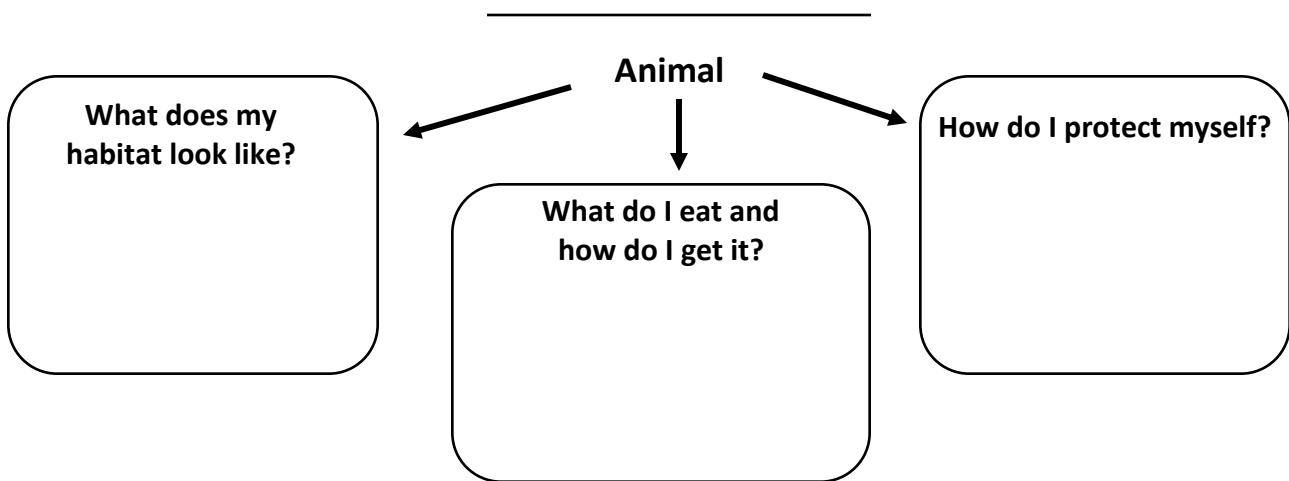
Discovering Adaptations

As you explore the Zoo, find an animal that has the following adaptations and write its name on the line. Circle *behavior* if it is a behavior or *body part* if it is a physical adaptation.

Adaptation	Animal	Type
Flies to find food	_____	Behavior / Body Part
Webbed feet for swimming	_____	Behavior / Body Part
Long tail for balance	_____	Behavior / Body Part
Stays awake at night (Nocturnal)	_____	Behavior / Body Part

Exploring Basic Needs

In order to survive, animals need their basic needs met. Choose an exhibit to observe, an animal to learn about, and find how that animal gets its basic needs met with physical and behavior adaptations.



Name 3 things you learned today that keep animals alive!

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____