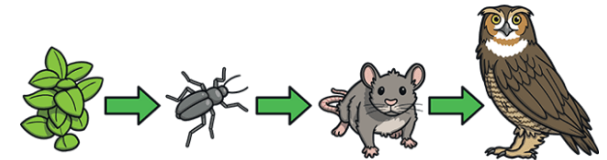


Year 2 Amazing Animals

In this unit, we will explore different species of animals through their habitats and basic needs in order to survive and develop an understanding of the food chain.



Prior learning

Last year, you learnt all about different farm animals through your Fins, Feathers and Feet unit. You classified common animals based on what they looked like and what they ate.

You can explore...

Reading

You're Strong With Me by Chitra Soundar
 The Whale Who Wanted More by Rachel Bright
 The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo
 A World Full of Animal Stories by Angela McAllister
 The Most Important Animal of All by Penny Worms
 Ayobami and the Names of Animals by Pilar Lopez Avila

Websites

For more information and videos about animals, including humans you can visit:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv>

You can visit...

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?q=animals%20including%20humans> to have a go at different activities and interactive games to learn more about animals, including humans.

Key facts

Animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.

All living things move, make more of their own type, respond to the place they are in, feed, grow, get rid of waste and need oxygen. If something does all of these things, it is alive.

Habitats provide animals with food, shelter, and a safe place to raise their young. Within a habitat, there are different micro-habitats e.g. in a woodland – in the leaf litter, on the bark of trees, on the leaves. They have different conditions e.g. light or dark, damp or dry. These conditions affect which plants and animals live there.

Plants make their own food, these plants are then eaten by animals who become food for other animals. This is the food chain.

Vocabulary

habitats

species

living

dead

suitable

offspring

survival

Questions to talk about

Could a polar bear live in the desert? Why or why not?

Where would you be in the food chain?

Can you name the different species of animals and plants?

Choose an animal. What do they need to survive and why?