

Animal Fun Challenge Pack



This pack was put together by the unit teams of 1st and 4th Barnehurst Rainbows and 4th Northumberland Heath Rainbows as part of their event fundraising during lockdown in 2020.

In this pack you will find a selection of activities in the following topics

- Wild Animals
- Domestic Animals
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- Arctic/Antartic animals
- Reptiles
- Imaginary Animals
- Animal games
- Animal songs

Badges can be ordered using the order form at the back of the pack.

We would love to see what you and your units get up to when completing the badge and you can share this on social media with us on any of the details below:

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#AnimalFun

Hopefully, we have included a real variety of activities and also lots of resources to help too.

There is no requirement to complete a set amount of activities.

If you have any questions, or have any suggestions of additional activities, please do get in touch through email: barnehurstainbows4@gmail.com

Wild Animals/Birds

Paper plate and handprint lion mask

Equipment

- Paper plate
- Thin card (not paper as it is too thin)
- Yellow and brown paint (or felt pen),
- Yellow bendy straws (you can colour paper ones)
- Sellotape
- Glue
- Elastic



What to do

1. Draw this shape on the back of your paper plate and cut it out carefully. (save this to make the ears).
2. Paint the front of both pieces of the paper plate and paint or colour the nose and ears.
3. Make handprints on the thin card and leave to dry.
4. To make the whiskers take three yellow straws and stick them together just below the bendy section. Fan out the straws and trim both ends to make them whisker size.
5. Repeat to make a set of whiskers for the other side of your lion mask.
6. Stick them on the back of the lion's nose.
7. Cut the ears out and stick them to the back of the lion's head.
8. When your handprints are dry cut them out carefully and stick on the back of the plate to the lion's mane.



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Lolly Stick Tiger

Equipment

- 3 orange craft/lolly sticks
- Thin orange card
- 2 googly eyes
- Black felt pen
- Scissors
- Glue



What to do

1. Stick the lolly sticks into a triangle.
2. Cut out and stick a triangle of orange card onto the back.
3. Cut out and stick on 2 ears.
4. Stick on 2 googly eyes or draw on with a black felt pen.
5. Draw on a mouth nose and stripes.



Rocking Elephant

Equipment

- Paper plate
- Paints (optional)
- Bright coloured paper (optional)
- Felt pens
- Gems (optional)
- Scissors/Safety Cutter
- Pencil



What to do

1. Fold the paper plate in half.
2. Trace the elephant's outline on one side.
3. Colour or paint the elephant (not the tusk).
4. Cut out the elephant making sure not to cut the folded edge except for the shaping at each end.
5. Carefully cut out the paper plate section between the legs leaving the edge of the paper plate connecting the legs to make the rocker.



(This will probably need to be done by an adult). You can colour the edge green to look like grass.

6. Colour or stick coloured paper for the saddle, headdress and toes. Draw an ear (or use grey paper) and stick on a googly eye.
7. Decorate with gems and coloured pens.
8. You can colour and decorate the other side of your Rocking Elephant if you would like to.



Handprint Zebra

Equipment

- White card
- Felt pens
- Scissors
- Glue stick



What to do

1. Draw round your hand on the white card and cut it out carefully.
2. Cut a head shape, 2 ears and a tail out of the white card.
3. Stick the head onto the thumb.
4. Stick on the ears and tail.
5. Using your felt pens draw stripes on the Zebra's body, head and tail.
6. Add eyes and a nose.

Fingerprint monkeys

Equipment

- White paper
- Piece of string/twine/wool
- Brown paint
- Brown felt pen
- Glue



What to do:

1. For the monkey's body dip your thumb in the brown paint and make thumbprints on the white paper (1 for each monkey).
2. For the head dip a smaller finger in the paint and make a fingerprint above the thumbprint. Leave to dry.
3. Stick the piece of string/twine/wool just above the monkeys' heads.
4. Use the felt pen to draw the arms, making sure one arm of each monkey touches the string so that it looks like it is swinging. Add a tail, ears and the face.
5. Add a background so that it looks like the monkeys are swinging through a jungle. (You could do the background first).



Giraffe Finger Puppet

Equipment

- Yellow and cream thin card.
- ¾ inch round hole punch
- Brown paint
- Small googly eyes
- Brown wool
- Black felt pen
- Scissors and glue



What to do

1. Cut out a 2 ½ inch circle, a 3 to 3 ½ inch circle, a rectangle for a giraffe neck and 2 ears from yellow card.
2. Using cream card, cut out a snout and horns.
3. Take the ¾ inch hole punch and punch two circles in the bottom of the larger yellow circle. These will become the finger puppet holes in the giraffe.
4. Glue the yellow rectangle giraffe neck onto the large circle.
5. Glue the smaller circle on top of the rectangle neck. That becomes the giraffe's head.
6. Glue on your snout, ears, horns and googly eyes.
7. Cut off a few small pieces of brown yarn and glue them on top of the giraffe's head.
8. Use felt pen to draw a mouth and nose on your giraffe.
9. Dip your finger into the brown paint and make fingerprints all over your giraffe, making the giraffe spots.

Brown Bear Cookies

Equipment

Cookies

- 225g butter, softened
- 110g caster sugar
- 275g plain flour

Frosting

- 200 g butter, softened
- 1 ¼ cup pure icing sugar, sifted
- ¼ cup cocoa powder, sifted

Decorations

- A selection of chocolate drops, oreos, minstrels, maltesers etc for the face.



What to do: (Use your own cookie recipe if you prefer)

1. Heat the oven to 190C/170C fan/gas 5.
2. Cream the butter in a large bowl with a wooden spoon or in a foodmixer until it is soft.
3. Add the sugar and keep beating until the mixture is light and fluffy.
4. Sift the flour into the bowl and mix until it forms a dough.
5. Roll the mixture into balls and put on a baking sheet.
6. Flatten the balls with the palm of your hands.
7. Bake for 10-12 mins until golden brown.
8. Leave to cool.

Frosting:

1. Beat the butter until pale and fluffy.
2. Gradually add the icing sugar until it is all mixed in.
3. Add the cocoa powder and mix.
4. Put chocolate frosting on the cookies making it look like a bear's head.
5. Add eyes, ears and a nose using your choice of mini Oreo biscuits, chocolate drops, shortbread, small pieces of your own cookies, brown minstrels etc.



Paper Plate Flamingo

Equipment

- 1/2 paper plate
- Thin pink card
- 2 pink pipe cleaners (optional).
- 2 sheets of tissue paper (pink and light pink)
- 1 googly eye



What to do:

1. Draw a head and neck shape on the pink card and cut it out carefully. Stick the googly eye onto the head and draw on a mouth.
2. Stick the flamingo's head to the back of the paper plate.
3. Draw 2 legs on the pink card and cut out carefully. (Make sure one of the legs bends at the knee so that your flamingo is standing on one leg). **You can use pink pipe cleaners instead.**
4. Stick the legs to the back of the paper plate.
5. Cut out small rectangles from the tissue paper.
6. Glue the tissue paper rectangles on the plate. Start at the bottom of the plate and work your way up to the top, overlapping slightly to look like feathers.



Domestic Animals

Cat Bookmark

Equipment

- Coloured card for the body
- Thin white card or paper for the tummy
- Scissors and glue
- Black felt pen
- Oddments of coloured paper for the collar and nose
- Coloured dot for the bell
- Googly eyes (optional)



What to do:

1. Choose the colour card you want for your cat.
2. Draw and cut out the ears as shown.
3. Draw the paws as shown (make sure they are 5cm wide) and cut the pieces out.
4. Stick the tummy onto the body, leaving only a small gap at the bottom.
5. Glue the paws and stick on, lining up the top paws with the top of the cat's tummy. (It is important to only glue the top part of the top paws as these paws make the "flap" for slotting the bookmark over the pages).
6. Cut a thin strip of coloured card or paper 5 cm long to make the collar. Punch a hole in a different coloured card or paper and use the punched circle to make the bell. (You can use sticky dots instead).
7. Cut a small triangle of paper for the nose. Stick or draw on some eyes and add the mouth, whiskers and claws with black pen.
8. Write your name on the cat's tummy to personalize it. Decorate your cat's tummy as well if you like.



Chocolate bar Puppy

Equipment

- Twix bar (fun size or full size)
- Chocolate buttons
- Black and white icing
- Melted chocolate
- Grease proof paper
- Chocolate like a Malteser (optional).



What to do:

1. Melt some chocolate and pipe a tail, a head and ears onto greaseproof paper. Leave to set. (You could use a chocolate such as a Malteser to make the head).
2. Use melted chocolate to stick chocolate buttons underneath the twix bar for the feet.
3. When the head has set use icing to make the eyes, mouth and nose on the head.
4. Use melted chocolate to stick head and tail to the body.



Light up Rabbit

Equipment

- 1 ping pong ball
- Pink pipe cleaner
- 1 battery tea light
- White pom pom
- Black felt pen
- Small pink pom pom (optional)
- 2 small googly eyes (optional)
- Ribbon

What to do:

1. Make a hole in the ping pong ball (**an adult should do this**).
2. Put the 'flame' of the candle into the ping pong ball.
3. Cut the pipe cleaner in half and then fold each piece in half for the ears.
4. Make 2 holes in the top of the ping pong (**an adult should do this**) and push the pipe cleaners through.
5. Use the black felt pen to draw on the eyes, whiskers, nose and mouth. You can use a pom pom for the nose and googly eyes if you prefer.
6. Wrap some ribbon round the candle and stick to hold in place.
7. Stick the white pom pom on the back for your rabbit's tail.
8. Turn your candle on and see your rabbit light up.



Goldfish in a bag

Equipment

- White paper
- Paints
- Black felt pen
- Googly eye

What to do:

1. Cut a bag shape out of the white paper.
2. Using pale blue, paint $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way up for the water and leave to dry.
3. When the paint is dry paint your pet goldfish swimming in the water.
4. When your fish is dry stick on the googly eye or draw one with felt pen.
5. Use felt pen to draw the string round the top of the bag.



If you like you can paint your fish on a different piece of paper and then stick it onto the bag.

Some people have tropical fish for pets so you could paint a multi-coloured fish.

You could make an aquarium and add different coloured fish. Add decorations like plants, a bridge, a treasure chest.



Farm Animals

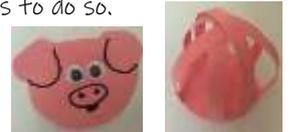
Pig

Equipment

- Thin pink card
- 1 pink pipe cleaner
- 2 googly eyes
- Black felt pen

What to do:

1. Cut a circle, a face shape and 4 strips (approx. 1.5cms X 20cms) out of the pink card.
2. Fold each end of the strips equally (about 2cms).
3. Glue the folded parts of each strip and stick on opposite edges of the circle bending the strips to do so.
4. Draw the ears, nose and mouth on the face. Stick on the googly eyes.
5. Stick to the front of the pig.
6. Twist the pipe cleaner and stick to the back of the pig for a tail.



Clothes peg Horse

Equipment

- 4 clothes pegs
- Lolly stick
- Paint (your choice for your horse)
- Foam sheet (the same as the paint)
- Wool
- Glue
- 2 googly eyes
- Fairy cake case



What to do:

1. Paint the clothes pegs and lolly stick on all sides and leave to dry. (Make sure to open the clothes pegs a few times while they are drying to stop them sticking).
2. Cut out a head shape from the foam.
3. Stick a googly eye to each side of the horse's head.
4. Cut strands of wool and stick them to the horse's head for a mane.
5. Cut strands of wool and glue them to one end of the painted lolly stick to form a tail.
6. Turn the clothes pegs upside down and clip to the lolly stick body for legs.
7. Clip the head to the body.
8. Fold the fairy cake case in half and stick over the lolly stick as a saddle.



Sheep

We get wool from sheep which can be woven to make fabric or knitted to make clothes.

- Can you knit a square? You could knit squares for a charity. Many charities prefer to receive the squares and sew them to make blankets themselves. Squares should be approximately 20cmx20cm but the size can vary depending on the charity.
- Have a go at French knitting. You can buy a French knitting kit but you can make your own.



French Knitting

Equipment

- Toilet roll inner
- 4 lolly sticks
- Masking tape
- Wool
- Crochet hook



What to do

1. Use the masking tape to stick the lolly sticks equally spaced round the toilet roll inner. They need to stick out above the toilet roll inner.
2. Make a slip knot near the end of the wool and use it to pull the end through the inside of the toilet roll.
3. Hold the end of the wool or secure it on a table. Then wrap the wool at the top round 1 of the sticks clockwise. Working in an anti-clockwise direction wrap the wool round each lolly stick in a clockwise direction.
4. Repeat making a second loop on each stick and, using a crochet hook lift the bottom stitch over the top stitch letting it fall into the centre.
5. Keep going. Your knitting will appear at the bottom of the toilet roll and will look like a snake.
6. When your cord is long enough move one stitch onto the next lolly stick and lift the bottom stitch over it. Repeat until 1 stitch is left. Break the wool and thread through the last stitch.



You can roll and sew your cord into a spiral to make a coaster.

You can join the ends to make a bracelet or necklace or knit 3 cords and plait them to make your bracelet/necklace.

Can you think of any more ideas?

Cow Headband

Equipment

- Thin white card
- Thin pink card
- Black card or black paint



What to do:

1. Fold the white card in half lengthwise and cut along the fold.
2. Staple or stick the 2 pieces together.
3. Cut the cow's black patches out of the black card and stick onto the white card (or paint them and leave to dry).
4. Fold the headband and join the ends to fit your head.
5. Cut 2 large ear shapes out of white card.
6. Cut 2 smaller inner ears out of pink card and stick onto the white ears.
7. Pinch/fold one end of each ear to shape it and staple or stick to the top of the headband.
8. Wear your headband.

Farmyard Biscuits or Fairy cakes

Equipment

- Biscuits – shop bought or homemade **OR**
- Fairy cakes – shop bought or homemade
- Icing in different colours

What to do:

1. Decorate your biscuits or fairy cakes so they look like a farm animal.
2. Can you make a whole farmyard of animals?



Wildlife

Pinecone Hedgehogs

Equipment

- Pine cone
- Brown paper/card
- Green paper/card
- Eye stickers or googly eyes
- Black felt pen
- Glue and glue dots
- Scissors
- Stapler



What to do:

1. Draw a circle, a little bigger than your pinecone, on green paper/card.
2. Draw another circle round the outside about an inch bigger. Cut round the bigger circle carefully.
3. Make a fringe by cutting from the edge to the smaller circle. Continue doing this all round the edge of the bigger circle.
4. Bend the fringe up all the way round the smaller circle.
5. On the brown paper/card draw a circle slightly smaller than the smaller green circle and cut it out carefully.
6. Make a small black circle in the centre for the hedgehog's nose.
7. Cut from the edge to the centre and fold the circle to make a cone. Check it is the right size to fit on the end of the fir cone and then stick or staple it to keep the cone shape.
8. Use a black felt pen to draw on ears and a mouth. Stick on sticker or googly eyes.
9. Stick the cone on the end of the fir cone. (Glue dots seem to work the best).
10. Pop your hedgehog on the grass.



Paper Plate Fox

Equipment

- Paper plate
- Orange felt or paint
- Glue
- Scissor
- Black pom pom
- Googly eyes
- Thin white card or paper.



What to do:

1. Colour a "V" shape on the plate with the orange felt pen or paint.
2. Fold over the edges of the plate and glue down.
3. Stick on the 2 googly eyes.
4. Stick on a black pom pom for the nose.
5. Cut out 2 ears from the white paper/card and colour orange.
6. Glue the ears to the back of the plate.



Facts about squirrels.

See what you can find out about squirrels.
Here are some facts to get you started.



- Squirrels often forget where they stored every nut for the winter as they also dig empty holes and cover them with leaves and twigs to trick other animals and protect their food stores. This may cause a problem for the squirrel when they can't find some of their nuts, but it is good for the planet as the lost nuts help to reforest areas across the globe.
- Squirrels are mammals; they are warm-blooded, covered in fur and give birth to live young.
- Squirrels are omnivores because they eat both plants and animals. They eat nuts, seeds, fruits, plants, fungus, insects, eggs, etc.
- Squirrels are active and playful animals. They often chase each other.
- A group of squirrels is called a scurry or a dray.
- Squirrels communicate with each other with chirps, barks, screams, purrs, and body language.
- In the United Kingdom we can see Red and Grey squirrels.

Have a Squirrel watch (like a bird watch) and count how many squirrels you see.
Watch them performing acrobatics. Can you copy some of the squirrel's acrobatics. (Make sure it is safe to do the acrobatics).

Night time Owl

Equipment

- White paper plate
- Black and white paint
- Thin coloured card
- 2 Paint brushes
- Lolly stick
- Googly eyes
- Felt pens
- Glue stick



What to do:

- Paint the front of the paper plate and lolly stick black and leave to dry.
- Put a small amount of white paint on a both paint brushes. Hold over the painted plate and tap the ends to makes white speckles (stars), moving the paintbrushes so that there are stars all over the plate. Leave to dry.
- Cut out a 3 inch and a 2 inch circle from the coloured card and cut the smaller circle in half to make the wings.
- Cut a half circle shape out of the top of the larger circle to make the owl body with two ears at the top of it.
- Stick the googly eyes on and using felt pens add a beak and feathers to the owl's body and wings
- Glue the wings onto the owl's body.
- Glue the lolly stick onto the back of the owl with the black side to the front.
- Cut a slit in the bottom third of the plate to put the owl puppet in.
- Have fun flying your owl in the starry sky.



Beavers



Beavers build dams out of wood, leaves, stones, mud etc, in rivers and streams, to give them access to food and help to keep them safe from other animals. (They even use their teeth to saw down whole trees).

Can you build a dam?

What to do:

1. You can shape some foil to make a riverbed or use a bowl or tray.
2. Collect twigs, leaves, plants, bark, stones, rocks etc.
3. Use the items you have collected to build a dam. Beavers use mud to stick the things together but you can use playdoh (homemade) instead.
4. When your dam is finished pour water one side of it and see what happens. If the water flows through see if you can improve it to stop the water.



Spoon Mouse

Equipment

- Wooden or plastic spoon
- White (or other colour) paint if using a wooden spoon
- Paintbrush
- White and pink thin card
- White wool or string
- Round pink bead
- Black felt pen
- Scissors
- googly eyes
- Glue. (Hot glue gun is better but needs adult supervision)



What to do:

- Paint the back of your spoon if using a wooden spoon and let it dry completely.
- Cut out 2 white circles for the mouse's ears.
- Cut out 2 smaller pink circles and glue onto the white circles.
- When the paint is dry glue the ears onto the back of the mouse face.
- Glue on the 2 googly eyes.
- Cut 2 small pieces of string or wool and glue to the middle of the mouse's face in an X shape to make the whiskers.
- Stick the pink bead on top of the X for the mouse's nose and draw a mouth.
- Stick a piece of string or wool on the back of the spoon handle for a tail.

Animal Homes

Animals build their homes out of the things they find in nature.

Find out about different animal homes.

What are they called?

See if you can build some.

Orange Bird Feeder.

Equipment

- large orange
- 2 pieces of dowel or you can use straws
- String or wool
- Bird seed
- Knife
- scissors



What to do:

1. Cut the orange in half and use a spoon to take out the fruit from inside. (This is very yummy and great to eat).
2. Push the pieces of dowel/straws through the orange as shown.
3. Cut 2 equal length pieces of string/wool (approx 45cms long) and tie each end to the end of the dowel/straws.
4. Hang the bird feeder and fill it with bird seed. (Remember to hang it where cats can't catch the birds).



Minibeasts

Ladybird Bookcorner

Equipment

- 1 red square
- 1 black semi-circle
- 2 googly eyes



What to do:

1. Fold the red square in half diagonally.
2. With the fold at the bottom fold in half again sideways. Make a crease and unfold.
3. Fold one top point down to the fold at the bottom.
4. Fold one of the bottom points to the middle of the bottom fold. Crease and unfold. Repeat with the other point.
5. Fold a bottom point to the top point and tuck into the pocket. Repeat with the other bottom point.
6. Shape the single point to look like wings.
7. Stick the black semi-circle on the back of the single point for the head.
8. Decorate the wings and stick googly eyes on the head.

Bees

Equipment

- Length of Black and yellow paper (approx. 30cm x 4cm)
OR colour in white paper
- Glue
- White paper
- Sticky tape
- Pens pencils
- Wool/string



What to do:

1. Take a length of yellow paper and another of black, and glue at right angles to each other at one end
2. Fold the bottom strip over the top and then follow with the top strip over the bottom. Continue until the two strips have formed a concertina. Glue the ends together and you have the body of the bee
3. Cut out two wing shapes and a small circle from white paper. On one wing write 'kind' and on the other write 'helpful'
4. Draw a face on the circle and stick it to one end of the body
5. Glue or tape the wings to the top of the bee and then tape a piece of string/wool just behind the wings so the bee can be hung up.

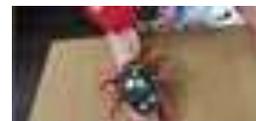
Crawling spider

What you need:

- Black card
- 2 pipe cleaners per spider
- Hair band
- Single hole punch
- Stapler and scissors
- Glue
- Googly eyes
- Stickers or sticky gems

What to do:

1. Cut 2 circles out of the black card - 4 cm and 8 cm diameters.
2. Stick the head (smaller circle) onto the body (larger circle).
3. Punch 4 holes down each side of the body.
4. Cut 2 pipe cleaners in half and in half again, so you have eight pieces.
5. Thread a piece of pipe cleaner into a hole and fold over one end to secure in place.
6. Repeat with all legs.
7. Turn the spider over and staple the hairband to the middle of the body.
8. Turn the spider over. Add googly eyes and decorate with stickers and gems.
9. Slide your hand through the hairband and make your spider crawl.



You can make more crawling spiders out of different coloured card to make a whole family of spiders.



Worms in dirt.

Equipment

- packet of Chocolate sandwich/oreo biscuits
- Milk
- 1 packet Chocolate instant whip/Angel delight
- 24 Gummy worms

What to do:

1. Put the chocolate sandwich/oreo biscuits in a zipper bag and use a rolling pin to crush them into small piece
2. Use the milk to make up the chocolate instant whip/Angel delight. Whisk until it is smooth.
3. Leave it to stand for about 5 minutes until it has set.
4. Mix in some of the dirt crumbs.
5. Put some dirt crumbs in the bottom of your serving dish, add some of the chocolate mixture and then add more dirt crumbs.
6. Add worms. You can add some in the middle of your pudding as well as at the top.
7. Eat your pudding and enjoy the slimy worms.



Paper plate caterpillars

Equipment

- Paper Plate (unwaxed) - one plate makes two caterpillars
- Felt pens
- Pipe Cleaners
- Glue
- Optional - googly eyes, glitter, sequins, stickers, gems etc.

What to do:

1. Cut the paper plate in half.
2. Cut the bordered edge off for the caterpillar bodies.
3. Draw a circle for the head on the other part of the plate and cut out carefully.
4. Colour the caterpillar bodies in any way you like.
5. Colour the head and draw a face on it. (You can use googly eyes).
6. Bend 2 pieces of pipe cleaners to make antennae and stick to the back of the head.
7. Stick the head to one end of the caterpillar.
8. You can use glitter, stickers, sequins etc to decorate your caterpillars if you like.



Challenge:

Can you draw a beautiful picture of what your caterpillar will turn into?

Handprint Butterflies

Equipment

- Coloured paper
- Felt pens
- Pipe Cleaners
- Glue
- Optional - googly eyes, glitter, sequins, stickers, gems etc.

What to do:

1. Draw around your hand on to coloured paper (you need 4) and cut them out
2. Draw a head and body and cut them out
3. Stick your hands to the back of the body
4. Using your pens and anything else you have decorate your butterfly



Snail on a leaf

Equipment

- Green paper/card
- Thick paper your choice of colour
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Markers or coloured pencils



What to do:

- 1) Cut a strip from the long side of the coloured paper.
- 2) Cut one end so make the head and antennae.
- 3) Draw on a mouth.
- 4) Starting at the opposite end to the head roll up the snail so that the mouth is on the outside.
- 5) Draw a leaf shape on the green paper/card and cut out carefully.
- 6) Decorate the leaf with markers or coloured pencils.
- 7) Glue the snail onto the leaf.
- 8) Make another one with a different coloured snail. How big can you make your snail family?

Pipe Cleaner Dragonflies

Equipment

- Coloured lolly sticks
- Paint – (optional if you are painting the lolly sticks yourself)
- Bright coloured pipe cleaners
- Buttons
- Pom poms
- Googly eyes
- Scissors
- Glue



What to do:

1. Paint the lolly sticks if you haven't got coloured ones and leave to dry.
2. Bend a pipe cleaner to make a double wing. Repeat to make a second double wing. Wrap the end round and cut off any extra.
3. When the paint is dry stick a pom pom on the top to make a head.
4. Stick the wings on about 2cms below the head using a strong glue or glue gun.
5. Stick buttons on the lolly stick including one on the wings.
6. Stick googly eyes on the head and you have finished your dragonfly.



Celery snails and caterpillars

Equipment

- Celery sticks
- Peanut butter or cream cheese (at room temperature)
- Sliced apple
- Sliced orange
- Sliced kiwi
- Sliced cucumber
- Sliced tomato
- Grapes
- Blueberries
- Baby tomatoes
- Celery or radish matchsticks
- Sweets or icing for the eyes

What to do:

1. Cut the celery into short pieces.
2. Fill the hollow side of the celery with the peanut butter or cream cheese.
3. Use the other ingredients to turn the celery into snails and caterpillars.
4. Use icing or sweets to make eyes.
5. Can you make any other bugs?



Sea Life

Woven Turtle

Equipment

- 3 lolly sticks
- Wool
- Black felt pen
- Hot glue gun



What to do:

1. Using a hot glue gun stick the lolly sticks as shown. (Allow to dry).
2. When completely set tie the end of your wool to the centre and wrap round the middle several times as shown. (Leave a short length of wool at the beginning so that you can tie the last end to it).
3. Wrap the wool over a lolly stick, round it, over the next one and round that one.



Over a lolly stick.



Round the same lolly stick.



Over the next lolly stick.

4. Repeat until you have woven your wool to cover most of the lolly sticks. If you want to change colour tie the 2 colours together.
5. Tie the trailing ends of wool together to secure your weaving.
6. Using the black felt pen draw a face on one stick and 'toe' markings on the 4 legs. (leave the other end of the lolly stick with the face on blank for the tail).

Cup Cake Case Jellyfish.

Equipment

- Cup cake case
- Strips of tissue paper
- Googly eyes (optional)
- Thread/wool

What to do:

1. Stick the strips of tissue paper to the inside of the cake case.
2. Add eyes on the front of the cake case.
3. Put thread/wool through the cake case and hang your jellyfish up.
4. You can use a cake tin liner, a paper bowl/plate etc to make a larger jellyfish.



Toilet Roll Octopus.

Equipment

- Toilet roll inner
- Coloured paper
- 2 Googly/sticker eyes
- Thread/wool (optional)

What to do:

1. Cover the toilet roll inner with coloured paper
2. Cut 8 strips from the same coloured paper and stick them round the bottom on the inside, evenly spaced
3. Use scissors to carefully rub along each arm so that it curls. (Ask an adult to help you).
4. Stick on googly or sticker eyes or draw your own. Draw a mouth.
5. If you like you can make a hole each side at the top and thread the wool through to hang your octopus up.



Paper Plate Killer Whale

Equipment

- 1 Paper plate
- Black and red paper
- Googly/sticker eyes

What to do:

1. Paint one side of a paper plate black except half of the rim.
2. Cut out black fins and a tail and stick to the back of the paper plate.
3. Cut out a mouth (showing teeth if you like). Stick the mouth to the paper plate and add googly/sticker eyes to create the face.



Arctic/Antarctic Animals

How do seals stay warm in the icy waters in the Arctic and Antarctic?

Equipment

- Lard or an alternative fat
- Bowl
- Ice cubes
- Cold water
- Disposable/rubber gloves
- Plastic bag



What to do:

1. Put cold water and ice cubes in the bowl.
2. Put your hand into the bowl of water and ice cubes. Describe how the water feels. (cold, icy, freezing)
3. Dry your hand and put on a rubber glove.
4. Cover the glove with the lard/fat and then cover the lard/fat with the plastic bag.
5. Put your hand back into the same water. How does it feel this time?

Many seals live in the icy waters of the Arctic and Antarctic, but they manage to keep warm. They have a thick layer of blubber (the lard/fat in the experiment) which acts as an insulator and keeps the seals warm.

Polar Bear

Equipment

- 2 sheets white card
- 1 sheet white or coloured card for the background.
- Paint/felt pens/coloured pencils
- A4 white paper
- Glue stick and Scissors



What to do:

1. Paint/colour a background for your polar bear. Leave it to dry.
2. Out of the white card cut 2 polar bear bodies/legs. One should be big enough to fill most of the background and one should be smaller.
3. Cut out a head shape for your polar bear.
4. When the background is dry, stick the larger body piece onto it.
5. Cut a strip from the short end of the A4 paper and cut in half. Fold both pieces in half to make 2 tubes.
6. Stick one of the tubes to the middle of the polar bear's body and the other to one of the legs.
7. Stick the smaller body on top of the 2 tubes.
8. Cut 2 strips of equal width (about 2.5 cms wide) from the short side of the A4 paper.
9. Stick the strips together at right angles and fold over each other to make an 'accordion'. Crease the folds. Continue until the end of the strips.
10. Stick the ends together. Stick one end of the accordion to the body.
11. Add eyes, nose and mouth to the face. Stick the face to the loose end of the accordion.
12. Now watch your polar bear wobble and bounce.



How do Penguins stay dry?

Equipment

- White card
- Black, white and other coloured wax crayons
- Water in a spray bottle
- Food colouring (optional)



What to do

1. Draw and cut out a penguin.
2. Colour your penguin using wax crayons. (Make sure you colour every part of your penguin).
3. Spray some water onto your penguin and see what happens. (You can add some food colouring to the water so it is easier to see what happens).

Penguins have a lot of feathers that are packed tightly together. These feathers have a gland that produces an oil that makes the feathers waxy. The wax repels the cold water and keeps the penguins dry, just like the wax on your penguin.



Reptiles

Bead Snakes

Equipment

- Pipe cleaner
- Coloured beads
- Googly eyes



What to do:

1. Thread a few beads onto your pipe cleaner.
2. When you have done a few beads bend this part of the pipe cleaner to form the head.
3. Continue threading beads to the end of the pipe cleaner. Bend the pipe cleaner so that the beads don't fall off.
4. Stick googly eyes on the head.
5. Make a family of snakes using different coloured beads.

Lolly Stick Snake

Equipment

- Coloured lolly sticks
- Glue
- Velcro Dots
- Felt pens, buttons, gems, glitter glue etc to decorate the snake
- Red Felt or card.
- Googly Eyes



What to do:

1. Decorate one side of the lolly sticks using felt pens, buttons, gems, etc.
2. Arrange your lolly sticks in the order you want them and join them together using Velcro dots.
3. Cut another lolly stick into thirds. Lay the end pieces side by side and glue the middle third to the back of them.
4. Cut a small rectangle 5cm X 1 1/2 cm from the felt or card and cut a small "V" shape out of one end.
5. Stick to the back of the snake's head and stick on the googly eyes.
6. Add more decorations to your snake if you like.
7. Change the order of your sticks as well to make a different snake.
8. Make a family of different coloured snakes.

HAVE FUN WITH YOUR SNAKES!



Hatching Dinosaur Eggs

Equipment

- Lolly Stick
- Thin white card
- Colouring pencils
- Glue and scissors

What to do:

1. Draw and cut out 2 large egg shapes (both the same size).
2. Draw a zigzag line across the egg just over halfway up.
3. Colour both eggs so they look like real dinosaur eggs.
4. Draw, colour and cut out a dinosaur (or print a picture of one).
5. Stick it to one end of the lolly stick and let it dry.
6. Cut across one egg on the zigzag line.
7. Glue the bottom part of the egg to the bottom part of the whole egg making sure you only glue the side edges.
8. Glue the top piece of egg to your dinosaur like a hat.
9. Put the lolly stick between the 2 eggs and through the bottom. Pull it down carefully so that the zigzag lines meet and your egg looks as though it is starting to crack.
10. Push the lolly stick up so your dinosaur hatches.



Paper Plate Crocodile

Equipment

- 2 paper plates
- White paper
- Red paper
- Pink and green paint
- Black marker
- Glue, scissors, pencil
- Green card
- Large Googly/sticker eyes



What to do:

1. Paint the backs of both plates green and leave to dry.
2. When the green paint is dry paint the other side of one plate pink and leave to dry.
3. When the pink is dry fold this plate in half so that the pink side is inside.
4. Cut the white paper into zig zag strips for the teeth.
5. Cut the a large tongue shape out of the red paper.
6. Glue the teeth inside the folded paper plate. (It may be easier to stick the teeth on if you cut the zig zag strips into shorter strips).
7. Put glue on the bottom of the folded paper plate and glue it on top of the other plate.
8. Cut 2 eye shapes out of the green card and fold the bottom of them Stick them onto the crocodile's face.
9. Stick googly/sticker eyes onto them.



Imaginary Animals

Cardboard tube Unicorn

Equipment

- Toilet roll inner
- Coloured paper
- Card (for ears and horn)
- Strands of different coloured wool
- Googly eyes (optional)
- Decorations (optional)



What to do:

1. Cover the toilet roll inner with your favourite coloured paper.
2. Wrap several lengths of different coloured wool round your hand to make a ring. Take it off carefully and tie it with another piece of wool. Cut the ring opposite the tie.
3. Tie again at one end and cut in 2 near the middle tie.
4. Stick the shorter piece to the inside of the top of the toilet roll letting it hang over the top for the mane.
5. Stick the longer piece to the middle of the back for the tail.
6. Cut out ears from card and stick on the top. Cut out a horn from card (glitter/shiny card looks really good).
7. Use felt pens to draw a face for your unicorn (you can use googly eyes).
8. Add any other decorations you think will look great on your unicorn.

Unicorn Pebbles

Choose some pebbles and decorate them so they look like unicorns.



Fire breathing Dragon

Equipment

- Toilet roll inner
- Green paper
- 4 green pom poms (2 large and 2 smaller)
- Red, Yellow and Orange tissue paper
- 2 googly eyes



What to do:

1. Cover the toilet roll inner with the green paper.
2. Stick a googly eye to each of the larger pom poms.
3. Stick these to the end of the toilet roll inner so they are looking at the rest of it.
4. Stick the smaller pom poms at the other end of the toilet roll inner.
5. Out of the tissue paper cut pointed strips (about 25cms long) for the dragon's fiery breath.
6. Stick the tissue paper to the inside of the toilet roll inner at the nose end. (Don't stick any round the bottom of the roll as they won't move when you blow through the roll).
7. Blow through the roll from the eye end and watch the flames move as your dragon breathes fire.



Songs

Nursery Rhymes

Many Nursery Rhymes have animals in them e.g.

Hey Diddle Diddle
Insy Wincy Spider
Ding Dong Bell

Little Boy Blue
Hickory Dickory Dock
Little Miss Muffet

Baa Baa Black/White Sheep
Mary Had A Little Lamb
Ladybird Ladybird

Animal Songs

Here are a few suggestions.

Five little speckled frogs
Alice the camel
Frog went a-courting
One two three four five
Run rabbit

Five little monkeys
Baby bumble bee
The Owl and the Pussy cat
There was an old lady who swallowed a fly
The bear went over the mountain

Five little ducks
B.I.N.G.O.
Old MacDonald

Games

It's a Frog's Life

Lifecycle:

- Frogs lay their eggs in water (Frogspawn).
- Tadpoles hatch from the eggs.
- As they get bigger they start to grow back legs and then front legs.
- Their tails disappear and they are called froglets and grow into fully grown frogs.

We are going to pretend to be frogs and play a game.

Frogspawn: huddle together in a group or with your brothers and sisters or your teddies.

Tadpoles: "swim" round the room.

Froglets: wiggle your bottoms to lose your tail.

Frogs: jump round the room like frogs making croaking noises.

Can you think of any other moves?



Animal Bingo

A selection of animal bingo games can be found online.

Zoo: <https://www.funwithmama.com/zoo-bingo-game-for-kids-animal-bingo-game>

Animal: <https://koriahome.com/free-printable-animal-bingo-cards-toddlers-preschoolers>

Farm: <https://www.funwithmama.com/farm-bingo-for-kids-printable-free-bingo-cards>

Ocean: <https://wondermomwannabe.com/ocean-bingo>

Woodland: <https://www.allfreepapercrafts.com/Paper-Toys/Woodland-Creatures-Printable-Bingo-Cards>

Pet: <https://www.totschooling.net/2020/02/pet-bingo.html>

Safari: <https://wondermomwannabe.com/safari-bingo>

Animal Movement Game

A selection of animal movement cards can be found online.

<https://totschoolresources.com/move-like-an-animal-game-free-printable-cards>

<https://www.messylittlemonster.com/2020/03/printable-games-for-kids.html?m=1>

https://www.123homeschool4me.com/free-brain-breaks-cards_3

<https://littleslovelearning.com/dear-zoo-activities>



Nature Trails

Make a team game out a nature trail. Which team can find all the items on the list?

Tracks

One team use items of nature they find to lay a trail to a hidden object.

Another team try to follow the trail to find the hidden item.

Animal Tag

- Set up 4 areas for 'cages' for each type of animal.
- Choose one child to be a Zoo Keeper and one child to be a Mischievous Monkey.
- Choose 4 animals and divide the remaining children into animal groups. E.g. Kangaroos (jump), Zebra (gallop), Cheetah (run), Giraffe (walk on tiptoes).
- The animals go to their 'cages'.
- Give the word and the animals leave their 'cages', moving in the way their animal moves.
- If the Zoo Keeper tags them they have to go back to their 'cage'.
- Only the monkey can free the animals in the cage.
- The aim is for the Zoo Keeper to get all the animals back in their 'cages'.

Alternatives

- Choose different animals e.g. farm animals and a farmer. The farmer needs to catch the animals to get them all back to a barn (horses gallop, ducks waddle, pigs crawl, dogs run). Goats are often considered to be mischievous so you could choose to have a goat to free the animals.
- The children freeze as the animal they are when they are tagged if you don't want to use areas for 'cages' or a barn.

Animal Charades

In teams play animal charades.

One team act out an animal including how it moves.

The other team try to guess what is being acted out.



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We can take payments electronically via BACS or card payment.

If paying by card - order badges here: https://rainbow-badges.onlineweb.shop/Animal_Fun/p7219745_20763089.aspx

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