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| **Age Range:** EYFS (Activities for children in Nursery and Reception) |
| **Learning Project - to be done throughout the week** |
| **The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to learn more about key animals they are interested in. Learning may focus on exploring the physical aspects of an animal, their habitat, categorising animals etc.** * **Read the story,** [**‘Dear Zoo’**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rudDGRQ9QGA) **or watch the online video** -
	+ Visit the book’s website and play the[**interactive games**](http://www.dearzooandfriends.com/games)
	+ Add your own animal into the story and label it e.g. So they sent me a...hedgehog, but he was too prickly....so I sent him back.
	+ Choose a soft toy animal or small animal figure and create a junk modelled container for it.
* **Identify the birds in your garden-**
	+ Use the [**RSPB**](https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/) bird identifier website
	+ Draw a picture of the birds you can see.
* **Play animal charades-**
	+ Take it in turns to act as different animals. Add in noises as a clue…
* **Learn the song,** [**‘The Animals Went in Two by Two’**](https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?bbc=animals-went-in-two-by-two)
	+ Ask your child to draw out two of each animal and practice writing the numeral 2.
* **Looking after your pet-**
	+ If you have a pet at home encourage your child to take part in their daily care. They could help feed, groom and clean up after your pet.
* **Big and small animals-**
	+ Draw as many big animals as you can on one piece of paper and as many small animals as you can on another sheet of paper. Some children may be able to write a list as an alternative.
* **Find all of the animal books in your house-**
	+ Ask your child to look through the books in your house and to find any with animals on the front cover. Ask them to sort the books into groups of their choice e.g. animals that can fly, swim, big, small, live on a farm/ at the zoo.
* **Create an animal den-**
	+ Provide your child with blankets and sheets to make an animal den. Act out being an animal in the den.
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| **Additional learning resources parents may wish to engage with** |
| [**Classroom Secrets Learning Packs**](https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learning-packs/) **-** These packs are split into different year groups and include activities linked to reading, writing, maths and practical ideas you can do around the home. [**Twinkl**](https://www.twinkl.co.uk/offer/UKTWINKLHELPS?utm_source=promo&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=England_coronavirus_schools_email&utm_content=offer_link) **-** to access these resources click on the link and sign up using your own email address and creating your own password. Use the offer code UKTWINKLHELPS. [**Headteacherchat**](https://www.headteacherchat.com/post/corona-virus-free-resources-for-teachers-and-schools) - This is a blog that has links to various learning platforms. Lots of these are free to access.  |
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