

# Amazing Animal Activities

## I'd Love to Be a...

**Become any animal you wish! What will you choose?**

### What You Need

- Picture cards
- Books and magazines about animals
- Paper, pencils and markers

### Directions

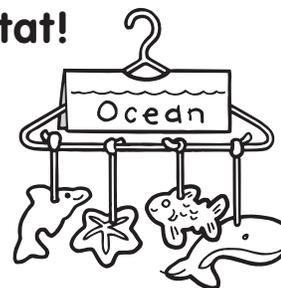
1. Invite children to explore the picture cards, books, and magazines to research all kinds of animals.
2. Then have them think of an animal they would like to be.
3. Ask children to write about why they chose their particular animals, including:
  - My animal's name is...
  - My animal lives in...
  - Three great things about being this animal are...
  - Three bad things about being this animal are...
  - I chose this animal because...
4. Encourage children to illustrate their animal reports and share them with the class.
5. Display the reports on a bulletin board titled "Our Favorite Animals."

## Habitat Mobiles

**Display the kinds of animals that live in each habitat!**

### What You Need

- Books and magazines about animals
- Crayons or markers
- Hangers
- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Hole punch
- Thin yarn
- Glue



### Directions

1. Divide the class into small groups, and assign each group a different habitat (Woodlands, Rain Forest, Prairie, Plains, Jungle, Ocean, Desert). Tell the students they are going to make decorative mobiles for their habitats!
2. First, give the groups pieces of construction paper and have them create a header for the mobile, as shown in the picture.
3. Invite group members to look through the books and magazines to find different animals that live in their assigned habitat. Have the children choose four or five animals to draw or cut out. Tell students to glue the magazine pictures onto construction paper.
4. Challenge students to write a few facts about each animal on the backs of the pictures. Encourage students to use the books and magazines—or the Internet—for their research.
5. Help students punch holes and use different lengths of yarn to attach the animals to the hanger.

