



Y1 Thinking like a scientist

Identifying Animals

Key Knowledge:

Mammal characteristics:

Fur or hair; warm-blooded; do not lay eggs; vertebrates; feed babies their milk.

Bird characteristics:

Feathers; beaks; wings; warm blooded; vertebrates; lay eggs.

Reptile characteristics:

Dry, scaly skin; cold blooded; lay eggs; vertebrates.

Fish characteristics:

Lives in water all the time; vertebrates; lay eggs; use gills to breathe.

Amphibian characteristics:

Live in water and on land; vertebrates; lay eggs.

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Learning Questions

- Can you identify and name a range of animals?
- Can you identify and describe characteristics of mammals?
- How do we identify and compare birds and reptiles?
- How do we identify and compare fish and amphibians?
- Can I identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores?
- What data can I collect about animals to answer questions?

Vocabulary



mammal



bird



reptile



amphibian



fish



carnivore



herbivore



omnivore