

HABITATS AND ADAPTATIONS

Session Brief | KS1

(45 Mins)

This session gives an overview of habitats and animal adaptation, using case studies to demonstrate these principles. Children will learn what a habitat is and the different world habitats, characteristics of the rainforest, grasslands, and desert, as well as looking in depth at how some of our Education animals are adapted to these familiar habitats. We will also take a quick look at some weird creatures!

Session Content

- Explore how animals have adapted to their habitats.
- Discover the many types of habitat we have on earth.
- Meet some real life animals and look their adaptations.
- Join in with games that explore the world around us.

National Curriculum Links

- Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.

Pre-visit

- Look at what the word habitat means.
- Draw all the different habitats that you already know about.

During visit

- Take a tour of our zoo and see what habitats we have for our animals.

Post-visit

- Can you create a habitat in a box for a model animal.
- Create a game of spot the animal by drawing a habitat and a camouflaged animal. Ask some to try and find it.