

## Take a Closer Look

### Advanced Animal Observation

Before you visit the zoo, choose an endangered animal that you plan to observe. While at the zoo, visit your animal and fill out this observation sheet.

1. Guess how much your animal weighs (in pounds or kilograms).\_\_\_\_\_

If it has a tail, guess the length of the tail (in feet or meters).\_\_\_\_\_

2. How does the animal move from place to place?\_\_\_\_\_

How many arms does it have?\_\_\_\_\_

How many legs?\_\_\_\_\_

How many wings?\_\_\_\_\_

How many fins?\_\_\_\_\_

3. Watch your animal for 10 minutes. Make tally marks to show how often it does the following:

A. Walks \_\_\_\_\_

B. Runs \_\_\_\_\_

C. Lies down \_\_\_\_\_

D. Eats \_\_\_\_\_

E. Drinks \_\_\_\_\_

F. Grooms itself \_\_\_\_\_

G. Grooms another animal \_\_\_\_\_

H. Makes a sound \_\_\_\_\_

I. Yawns \_\_\_\_\_

K. Looks at people \_\_\_\_\_

4. If there are several animals in a group, can you tell which ones are the leaders?  
How can you tell?\_\_\_\_\_

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5. What kind of body covering does the animal have (scales, fur, etc)

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What color is the body? \_\_\_\_\_

What color is the face? \_\_\_\_\_

Any patterns or markings? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What color are the eyes? \_\_\_\_\_

Are the eyes large or small? \_\_\_\_\_

Are the eyes on top of the head, on the side of the head, or facing to the front?

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7. Describe the ears. \_\_\_\_\_

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8. Describe any sounds made by the animal. \_\_\_\_\_

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9. How is the animal like you? \_\_\_\_\_

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How is it different? \_\_\_\_\_

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