

Reflecting on the Learning Pathway: How to Study an Animal

Name of This Animal: _____	Book Title: _____ _____
When you study an animal, always think about what kind it is, or its class. Is this animal classified as a mammal, bird, reptile, fish, or amphibian? How do you know? How does the class help you to understand this animal?	
When you study an animal, always think about its appearance. What does this animal look like? How does its appearance help you to understand this animal?	
When you study an animal, always think about where in the world it lives, and what its habitat is like. Where does this animal live? How does its place in the world and its habitat help you to understand this animal?	
When you study an animal, always think about what it eats and how it hunts. What does this animal eat and how does it get its food? How do the hunting and eating habits of this animal help you to understand it?	

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When you study an animal, always think about how it protects itself from predators. How does this animal protect itself? How does its way of protection help you to better understand this animal?	
When you study an animal, always think about how it lives its life day by day. What is a typical day like for this animal? How does the daily life of this animal help you to better understand it?	
When you study an animal, always think about whether it is endangered. Is this animal endangered? If so, is anything being done to protect this animal? How will this information be important to you?	
When you study any topic, always think about what is the most important or interesting. Based on your reading, what facts about this animal seem the most important or interesting? Why?	
When you study any topic, always think about the words that are most important to talking or writing about this topic. What words would you need to know to talk about this animal?	