Self-Guided Safari Packet
Grades K-2

This packet is aligned with grade level standards and learning goals. You may choose to use a variety of the options listed in the packet to enrich your trip to the zoo. Provided are activities that can be used before, during, or after your visit.

Learning Goals
- Observing patterns
- Animals and plants living together
- Animals in their environment
An animal’s home is called its habitat. A habitat contains everything that an animal needs to survive and reproduce. Which Alaskan animals can be found in the habitats listed below?

Find an animal that lives in this type of habitat.

- On land _________________________________
- In trees _________________________________
- In lakes or rivers _________________________
- On land AND in water _______________________
- On sea ice ________________________________
- In the ocean ______________________________
- On a mountain ______________________________
- In a forest ________________________________
- Near your house ____________________________
- All by themselves __________________________
- Lives in groups _____________________________
Can you find ...

- An animal that eats rodents
- An animal that uses trees for perching
- An animal that has white feathers
- An animal with stripes
- An animal that likes to swim
- An animal that eats browse
- An animal you can pet
- An animal that lives in the mountains
- An animal that lives in the den
- An animal with horns
- An endangered animal
- An animal that uses camouflage
Scientist Sketches!

Draw an animal in its habitat at the zoo!
Write about the animal’s food and shelter.
Discussion Questions

Find an animal that live in the trees.
- Why do they live there?
- What do they eat for food?
- Do they have a shelter?
- What does it look like?

Find a small animal at the zoo.
- What does its shelter look like?
- How can being small help the animal survive?

Find an exhibit with an animal eating.
- Where is the food and water in this exhibit?
- What is the animal eating?

Find an exhibit where several animals live together.
- Are they all the same species?
- Are the animals exactly alike?
- What makes them different?

Find an exhibit with a mountainous terrain.
- Who lives there?
- What about them helps them survive in the mountains?

Find an exhibit where the animals are in water.
- Who lives there?
- What about them helps them survive in the water?

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