

Animal Adaptations

PROJECT CHOICE BOARD: GRADE 1

NATURE JOURNALING

Take a notepad and pencil outdoors. Find an insect, snail, pet, bird or other animal to observe. Try to draw whatever animal(s) you find. Make sure to take note of any significant markings and other physical characteristics. You can also take pictures of the animals you find to make a virtual journal.

CRAFTS

Make an animal of your own or follow the instructions for one of these: alligator; Flying squirrel; Spotted snake

WRITE A STORY

Research an animal in Virginia that has an interesting set of defenses. Write a story about an animal using its natural defenses to protect itself in the wild. What challenges does your animal face? What defenses does the animal have? How do the defenses work?

MAKE UP A SONG

Write a song or a rap about animal defenses. Why do animals need them? What kinds of defenses are there? How are they used?