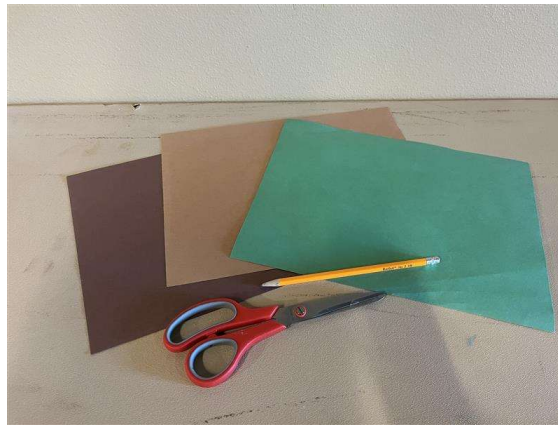


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There are over eight million different species of animals on earth, with thousands being discovered each year all across the world! Nature is full of animals that defy our imagination. A lot of what makes animals special are their adaptations. Adaptations are the unique ways animals have adjusted to their environment.

Outdoor Activity: Camouflage Activity



Materials:

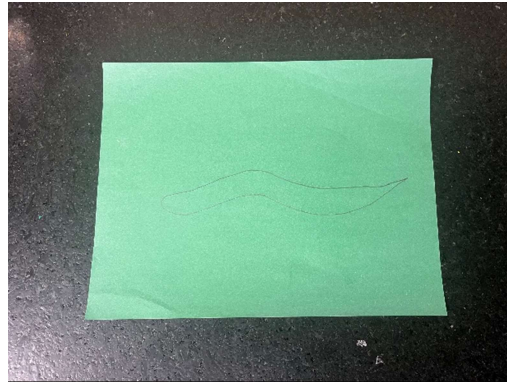
- Construction paper (preferably natural colors)
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Device with a camera

Procedure:

1. Draw an animal (or animals) of your choice on construction paper. This activity works best with natural colors, such as different browns, greens, and greys.

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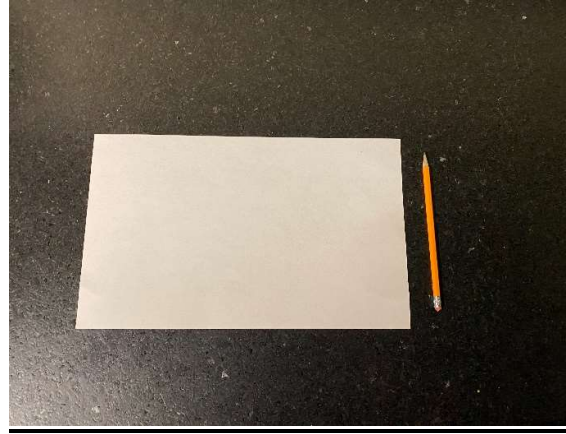
2. Cut them out and put them in a small bag.
3. Head outside. This activity can be done in your yard, a park, or any public outdoor space. Just remember to leave no trace!
 - a. Leave no trace means leaving everything exactly as you found it.
4. Based on the colors you choose, find a spot for your animal(s) that provides them with the best camouflage.
5. Take a picture of your animal in its camouflaged environment. Show a friend or family member and see if they can spot them!



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Indoor Activity: Make your own Animal



Animals come in all shapes and sizes. They contain thousands of different adaptations that stretch the very limits of our imagination! Why don't you try to make your own unique animal with its own unique adaptations?

Materials:

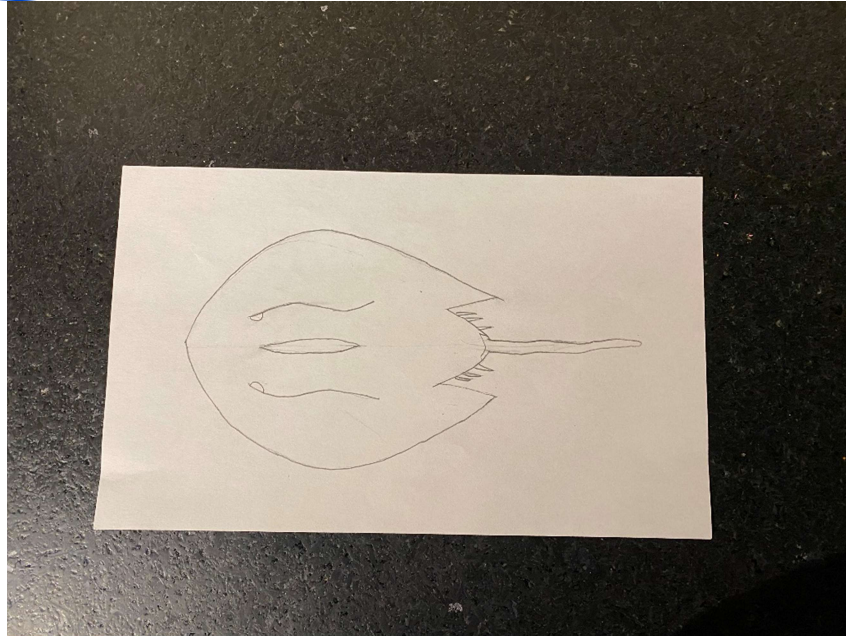
- Pencils
- Coloring Utensils (optional)
- Paper
- Device with internet connection (optional)

Procedure:

1. Grab a pencil and coloring utensils. Design your very own animal!
 - a. If you need ideas, look up pictures of your favorite animals online! Make sure you have a supervising adult with you when you do this.
2. Write a paragraph about your animal. Where it lives, what adaptations it has, and what you think is special about it.

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This is my walking stick horseshoe crab! Most horseshoe crabs have a lever-like tail that helps them flip over. This one takes it a step further by having a tail that retracts inward and outward so it can push itself back up easier.

3. If you'd like, you can email us with your drawings at edu.wondersofwildlife.org. We may feature our favorite one in the next activity guide!

We hope you enjoyed the activity guide this month! Don't forget to check out us at home mission for this month! To see a list of our other missions, or to learn more about Wonders of Wildlife, visit us at <https://wondersofwildlife.org/mission-conservation/>