



Talk for Writing Text: Elmer

Topic: Animals

Literacy

- Poetry- Walking through the jungle
- Fiction writing- Elmer
- Non-fiction writing- invitations, cards, plans

How to help your child at home:

- Visit your local library and find out about animals.
- Encourage your child to mark make using the letter sounds that they know.

Maths

- Zero
- Compare numbers to 5
- Composition of 4 and 5
- Compare mass / weight
- Compare capacity
- Composition of 6 7 8
- *Making pairs*
- Length and height
- Combining 2 groups

How to help your child at home:

- Help your child to use comparative language - more, less, fewer, bigger, smaller, taller, shorter.

Understanding the World

- Are all animals wild?
- What do animals eat?
- Where do animals live?
- How do animals protect themselves?
- How and why is Pancake Day celebrated?

How to help your child at home:

- Help your child to research their favourite animal.

Physical Development

- Letter formation
- Cutting skills
- Gymnastics
- Climbing frame

How to help your child at home:

Practise the correct formation of the letters in their name.

Personal Social & Emotional

- Exploring diversity- how are we the same? How are we different?
- Belonging- how and where do I belong?

How to help your child at home:

- Help your child to recognise and name their feelings.
- Help your child to consider how they belong- in their family, community, religion, school and other groups.

Communication & Language

- Talking about animals and developing topic vocabulary- diet, herbivores, carnivores, habitat, camouflage,
- Story times to develop new vocabulary, share ideas and ask and answer questions.

How to help at home:

- Help children to develop their vocabulary by talking to them about animals and what they have been learning in school.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Observational drawings
- Henri Matisse- Snail pictures
- Chinese lanterns
- Moving dragons

How to help at home:

- Sing animal rhymes.
- Draw your favourite animal.