

The Animal Kingdom

Animal Name and Phylum: _____

Genus and Species Name: _____

General Description: *Describe its appearance, size, does it migrate or hibernate or molt its skin or do anything strange? Is it a vertebrate or invertebrate?*

Where and how does this animal make its home?

Does it live alone or in a pack or with a family?

What type of diet does this animal have? *Herbivore, carnivore, omnivore? Specific foods it eats, how often and how much does it eat? Does it eat its food in any interesting way? Who are its prey?*

How does this animal reproduce and what role does it play in raising its young?

What is the size of its young? *Live births or egg layer, external or internal fertilization? How often can it give birth and to how many offspring at a time? After fertilization, how long until the eggs hatch or the infant is born? What is the size of its young? How do the young mature and to what size? Who takes primary care of it? How long does the mother(or father) take care of its young?*

Does the animal have any predators? *If so who?*

How does this animal protect itself from danger? *What behaviors does it exhibit? Does it have any special defense mechanism?*

Animal Impact/Human Impact: *Is this animal useful to us in any way? Is it at risk for becoming an endangered species? What role does this animal play in the ecosystem? How can humans protect this animal from becoming an endangered species?*
