

Animal Welfare Across the Curriculum

<p><i>English/Language Arts</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find books to read to younger children that teach respect for animals • Create an ABC book of endangered animals and ways to help • Write essays from the perspective of endangered animals seeking human assistance 	<p><i>Social Studies/History</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit an animal shelter or zoo to learn about its role in the community • Research the government agencies that oversee endangered animals • Learn about the Progressive Era (1890–1913) and the inception of organizations to protect animals 	<p><i>Languages</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find out about animal rescue projects run by kids in different countries and correspond by email • Create multilingual informational brochures about a local endangered animal • Make presentations to other classes in the language being learned on a topic related to protecting animals
<p><i>Theater, Music, & Visual Arts</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write and perform plays with animals as characters teaching about their care or how to protect them • Learn and perform songs that show respect for animals and nature • Using drawing, painting, photography, or any visual art medium, create an art show of animals in both dangerous and protected environments 	<p>Animals Protection and Care</p>	<p><i>Math</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a budget for the weekly cost of pet care • Study the math concepts used to build small animal shelters or create a bird habitat • Compare statistics on changes in the status of an endangered animal
<p><i>Physical Education</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do exercises that you’ve developed or drawn from yoga or other movement systems, that mimic the ways animals naturally move • Learn how domesticated animals are affected when they don’t get exercise • Conduct research locally to find community needs for animal walkers or runners 	<p><i>Computer</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find out how computers are used to track migratory patterns • Create a Web site to help advertise and promote pet adoption • Research and inform classes about Web sites with information about endangered animals 	<p><i>Science</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research pet care, including nutrition, physiology, and psychology; also learn about and compare to their relations in the wild • Learn about endangered animals in your region and groups that work to rescue and restore • Visit a natural wildlife habitat to make observations, learn about the ecosystems, and ways to protect the animals living there