

Corral Critter

Link

POS/SOL: SCI 1.5

Marzano Strategy: Generating and Testing Hypotheses

We have been learning about the basic needs of animals. Today we will continue to investigate animal needs and will apply our knowledge to create a home for an unusual animal.

Assessment: Class discussion

Engage and Educate

What animals would you be shocked to find in your backyard? What changes would you have to make in your backyard? Read *There's An Alligator under My Bed*. What problems might develop if you had to keep twenty alligators in your backyard for a week?

Assessment: Class discussion

Active Learning

Select another unusual animal not ordinarily found in a backyard, park, or school playground. What if there were twenty of them found in that place? Create a way to contain the animals safely and provide a way to meet all their needs. (food, shelter, exercise, entertainment, etc.)

Assessment: Completed product

Reflect

Have students share their drawings with the class.

Now and Then

Today we investigated animal needs and applied our knowledge to create a home for an unusual animal. Tomorrow we will learn about the physical characteristics (body coverings, body shape, appendages, and methods of movement) of animals.