# Illinois Mammals

Pre-/Post-Site Materials Forest Preserve District

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#### **Correlated State Standards**

Identified ELA, Math and Science Standards are detailed below specific to this education program. Source: Forest Preserve District of Will County, the Council of Chief State School Officers (Common Core), and the National Research Council (Next Generation Science Standards)

	ELA Standa	rds	
Subject Codes	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
Reading for Information (RI)	RI.4.3, RI.4.4	RI.5.3, RI.5.4	RI.6.7
Language (L)	L.4.4, L.4.6	L.5.4, L.5.6	L.6.4, L.6.6
Speaking and Listening (SL)	SL.4.2	SL.5.2	SL.6.2

NGSS Standard	ds
Disciplinary Idea	Grade 4
Life Science 1, Structures and	4-LS1-1, 4-LS1-2
Process (LS)	





## References

#### **Glossary of Terms**

**Herbivore:** A plant-eating animal.

**Mammal:** Any of a class (Mammalia) of warm blooded, higher vertebrates that nourish their young with milk secreted by mammary glands and have skin usually more or less covered with hair.

**Predator:** An animal that catches and kills other animals for food.

**Vertebrate:** Having a spinal column.

**Warm-blooded:** Having a relatively high and constant body temperature usually independent of the surroundings.

#### **Recommended Books**

Parker, Steve. "Mammal." DK Eyewitness Books. August 2004.

Sill, Cathryn P. & Sill, John. "About Mammals: A Guide for Children." March 2000.

Mobi Reference. "The Illustrated Encyclopedia of North American Mammals: A Comprehensive Guide to Mammals of North America." April 2008.

Attenborough, David. "The Life of Mammals." October 2002.

Snedden, Robert. "What is a Mammal?" October 1997.

Kalman, Bobbie & Lundbald, Kristina. "Animals Called Mammals." March 2005.

Dudley, Karen & Steck-Vaughn, Raintree. "Elephants." 1997.

Cerullo, Mary M. "Dolphins: What They Can Teach Us." Dutton Children's Books. 1999.

#### **Recommended Videos**

"The Life of Mammals." 2002-2003.

"Eyewitness: Mammal." 2007.

"Wild Secrets: Sea and Land Mammals." 2009.

"Ultimate Wildlife: Mammals." 2011.

"Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom: Mammals of North America." 2005.

"Bill Nye the Science Guy: Mammals Classroom Edition." 2008.

"Jim Knox's Wild Zoofari – Marine Mammals and Friends." 2008.

#### **Recommended Websites**

All About Mammals

http://www.zoomwhales.com/subjects/mammals/

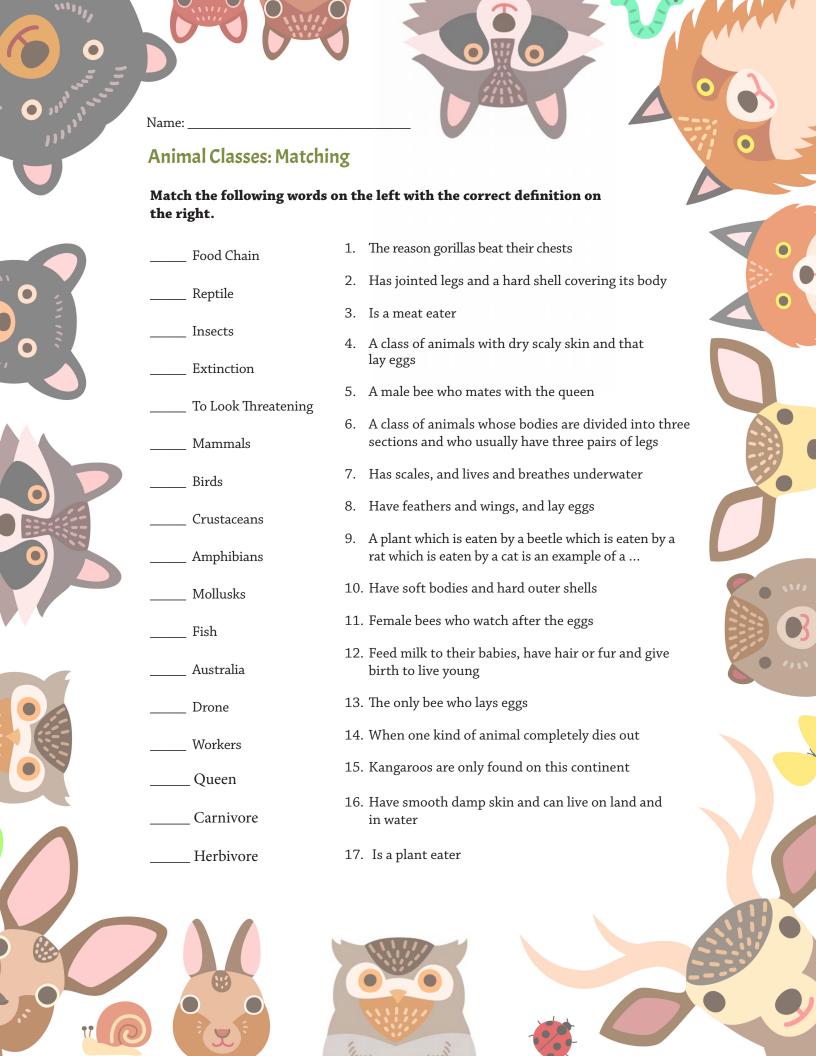
Marine Mammals http://netvet.wustl.edu/marine.htm

Images of Mammals: The Photography of Wernher Krutein https://photovault.com/ search?search=mammals&f=0&aid=0&page=1

#### Mammals

http://www.angelfire.com/mo2/animals1/mammal/mammal.html





## **Activities**

#### **Mystery Mammal Game**

- 1. Invite students to choose a mammal they would like to learn more about. They should not share their choice with anyone but you. Make sure that each student is researching a different animal.
- 2. Give each student an index card. Have each student research his or her assigned mammal using print and online resources. As the children research their mammals, instruct them to write 8-10 clues about their animals on the index cards. For example, "It has a heavy fur coat to keep warm" or "It hibernates in the winter."
- 3. When students have completed their research, invite each student to present a clue and allow the rest of the class to guess the animal. The presenter can give clues until the audience has guessed the mammal. Once the mammal is revealed, the presenter should share the rest of the clues and any other information learned about the mammal.

### Animal Classes: Matching (Answer Key)

- 9 food chain
- 4 reptile
- 6 insects
- 14 extinction
- 1 to look threatening
- 12 mammals
- 8 birds

- 2 crustaceans
- 16 amphibians
- 10 mollusks
- 7 fish
- 15 Australia
- 5 drone
- 11 workers
- 13 queen
- 3 carnivore
- 17 herbivore



## Did You Know?

- Most mammals are herbivores; that is, they eat only plants.
- All mammals are vertebrates; they have an internal skeleton with a central backbone.
- Most mammals can be active even in cold weather because they are warm blooded.
- The weasel is an agile predator that can kill its prey in one quick bite.
- Some mammals, such as chimpanzees, dolphins and human beings, are highly intelligent.

Name:						
Q۱	Quiz: Mammals					
Sel	Select the correct answer from the choices listed.					
1.	Which of these animals is a mammal?					
	☐ Fish					
	☐ Spider ☐ Dog					
2.	Which of these animals is NOT a mammal?					
	☐ Cat					
	Cow					
	Bird					
3.	Most mammals lay eggs.					
	☐ True					
	☐ False					
4.	A mammal breathes air.					
	☐ True					
	☐ False					
5.	This mammal lives in the water.					
	☐ Whale					
	☐ Jellyfish					
	☐ Eel					





Na	me:
Qı	uiz: Animal Classification
Sel	ect the correct answer from the choices listed.
1.	An oyster is a member of which invertebrate family?
	☐ Crustaceans
	☐ Mollusks
	☐ Insects
	☐ Arachnids
2.	A whale is a member of which vertebrate family?
	□ Fish
	☐ Mammals
	☐ Reptiles
	Crustaceans
3.	An elephant is a member of which vertebrate family?
	Amphibians
	☐ Mammals
	☐ Reptiles
	Birds
4.	A boa constrictor is a member of which vertebrate family?
	☐ Mammals
	☐ Reptiles
	☐ Arachnids
	☐ Mollusks
5.	A scorpion is a member of which invertebrate family?
	☐ Mammals

☐ Insects☐ Arachnids☐ Crustaceans

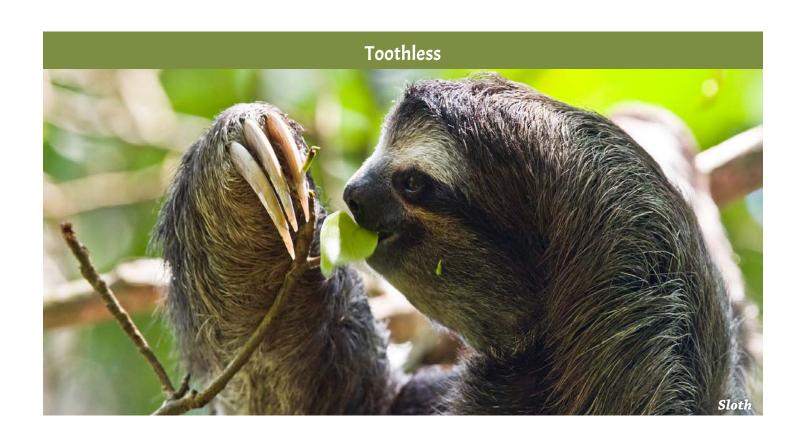
# **Answer Key**

#### **Animal Classification Quiz: Mammals** Grade Level: 4/5 Grade Level: 4/5 Which of these animals is a mammal? 1. An oyster is a member of which invertebrate family? ☐ Fish ☐ Crustaceans ☐ Spider Mollusks Dog ☐ Insects ☐ Arachnids Which of these animals is NOT a mammal? 2. A whale is a member of which vertebrate family? ☐ Cat ☐ Fish Mammals ☐ Cow ☐ Reptiles Bird ☐ Crustaceans Most mammals lay eggs. 3. An elephant is a member of which vertebrate family? ☐ True ☐ Amphibians False Mammals ☐ Reptiles ☐ Birds A mammal breathes air. 4. A boa constrictor is a member of which vertebrate family? True ☐ Mammals Reptiles ☐ False ☐ Arachnids ☐ Mollusks This mammal lives in the water. 5. A scorpion is a member of which invertebrate family? Whale ☐ Mammals ☐ Jellyfish ☐ Insects ☐ Eel Arachnids ☐ Crustaceans

# Photos: Mammals of All Types!

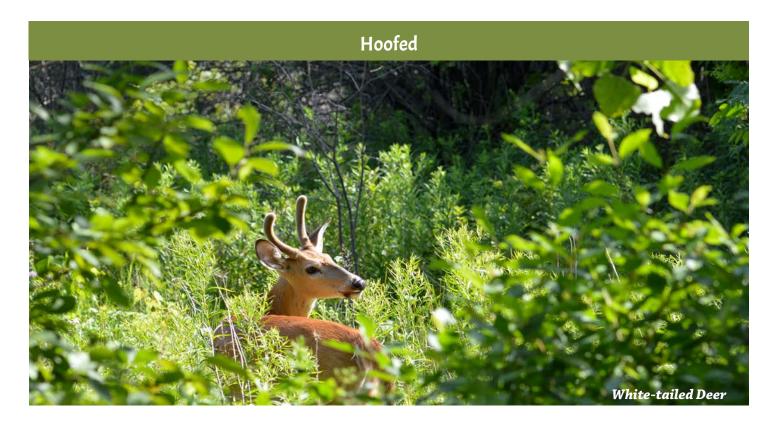




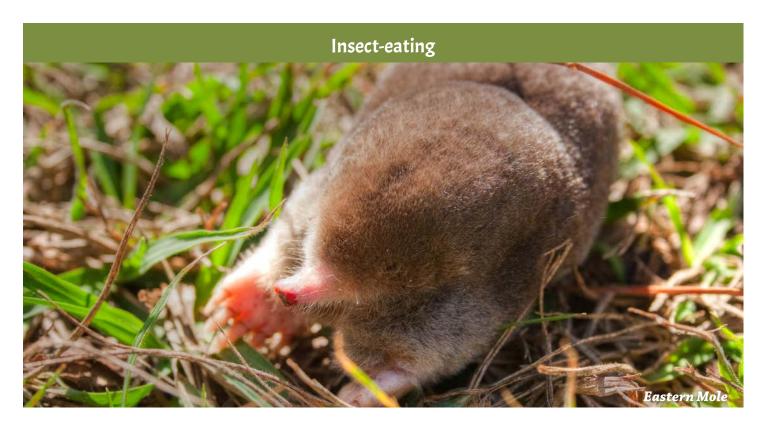






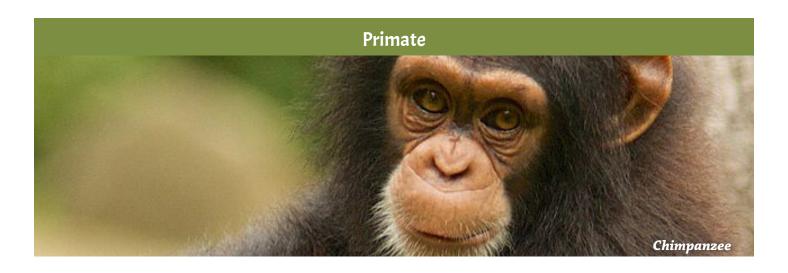














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