Today's Featured Activity: Interview an Animal

A fun way to build observation skills is to imagine you are interviewing an animal! Of course, the animal can’t talk or answer your questions, so you must come up with the answers by way of close observation.

The next time you’re outside, pick an animal to watch closely and ask a series of questions to try and better understand them. If you can’t get outside, look out your window and try this with a bird, squirrel, or even an insect!

Here’s a list of questions to get you started on your animal interview:

- What does this animal look like, what are its physical features? (how big, how many limbs, what kind of limbs, etc)
- Where are you seeing this animal, what are its surroundings?
- Does it stay in one spot or move all around?
- Where does it go?
- What is this animal doing?
- Is it climbing, looking for food, running, flying?
- Is it only active during the day, or only at night?
- What does this animal eat?
- Is it eating now?
What makes this animal special or interesting?
- Does it have an interesting beak or sharp claws?
- Are these features important to how the animal functions?

After you’ve conducted your interview you could **draw a story** about this animal or use your interview to play 20 questions and make your family guess what you are!

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