



Today's Featured Activity: Who's Home?

If you watched our most recent [Little Explorers video](#) about animal homes, then you heard us talk all about beavers, and how they help create homes for other animals. By them building a dam, it creates a pond, which kills trees that Great Blue Herons then use to build their nests. All the things these animals need to survive are there; food, water, shelter, and space to raise their young, and this is called a habitat.

Next time you're out on a walk see how many different animal homes you can spot, are they in different or similar habitats? How many animals share the same habitat?

- Create a sorting game to match animals with habitat, take old magazines and cut out different animal pictures, or draw the ones you saw on your walk. Then draw different habitats that you saw, some examples are forests, ponds, fields, wetlands. Then create a game to match your animals with their homes!



- Try to build an animal home, like a bird nest, out of twigs and leaves that you find in your yard or out on a walk. How would a nest from a bird that lives in a field look different from one that lives in the forest?
- Or create a fun make believe habitat, like Theia and Delia did in the photo above. If you have old calendars with scenic pictures of an ocean or woods, create crazy scenes by gluing pictures of animals and plants that would never live together in one place, like turtles and zebras! Or create a mystical fairy land! You can also print out the artwork from our most recent newsletter in black and white and color in all of the pictures!

Did you do this activity? Post a photo on Instagram and tag @clctrust or use #clctrust.

Have suggestions for activities you'd like to see? [Send us an email!](#)

Columbia Land Conservancy | clctrust.org

