



# 101 THINGS

to discover at the San Diego Zoo,  
the San Diego Zoo Safari Park,  
and in your backyard.



# READY TO EXPLORE?

If you can't come to the Zoo or Safari Park, you can still explore through our

**LIVE CAMS,**

**KIDS WEBSITE,**

**YOUTUBE CHANNEL,**

and your own neighborhood.  
Look for...

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**AN EXHIBIT WITH ONE TYPE OF ANIMAL**

How is the animal like you?  
How is it different?

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**AN EXHIBIT WITH MANY TYPES OF ANIMALS**

How are the animals similar to each other?  
How are the animals different from each other?

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**TWO ANIMALS WITH VERY DIFFERENT FEET**

How are the animals' feet different?  
Do the animals move the same or differently?

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**TWO ANIMALS THAT ARE MOVING IN DIFFERENT WAYS**

How are they moving differently?  
Which animal would you rather be like? Why?

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**A BIRD**

How many body parts can you name on the bird?  
What body parts does the bird have that you don't?

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**A MAMMAL**

How many parts of the mammal's body can you name?  
How is the mammal's body different from a bird's body?

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**A REPTILE**

What makes this animal a reptile?  
What type of habitat does this reptile like to live in?

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**AN AMPHIBIAN**

What makes this animal an amphibian?  
How are you like an amphibian?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH SPOTS**

What color are the spots?  
How do the spots help the animal?

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**A PLANT**

How many parts of the plant can you name?  
How many different types of plants can you see?



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**A FLOWER**

How many petals does the flower have?  
How many different colors do you see on the flower?

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**TWO OR MORE ANIMALS INTERACTING**

What are they doing?  
Why do you think they are doing this?

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**AN ANIMAL EATING PLANTS**

What part of the plant is the animal eating?  
Which plants do you eat?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT BUILT A NEST WITH PLANTS**

Is the nest on or above the ground?  
What in your home is made from plants?

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**AN ANIMAL HOME OTHER THAN A NEST**

What did the animal do or use to build its home?  
What other types of animal homes can you think of?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT LIVES IN THE TREES**

How did the animal get into the tree?  
What would you like about living in a tree?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT LIVES UNDERGROUND**

Why do you think this animal lives underground?  
What are the advantages to living underground?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT SWIMS**

What body parts does this animal use to swim?  
What body parts do you use to swim?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT HOPS**

How do their legs help them to hop?  
Try hopping like the animal for 30 seconds.

**A GROUP OF ANIMALS**

How many are there?  
Are they all the same size?  
What are they doing?

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### **A BABY ANIMAL**

What kind of animal is it?  
What does the baby animal like to eat?

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### **A VERY LARGE ANIMAL**

What animal is it?  
Look online to find out how big it is. Find something around your house that is as tall or long as the animal.

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### **A VERY SMALL ANIMAL**

What animal did you find?  
How does this animal protect itself from larger animals?

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### **A GROUP OF ANIMALS OF THE SAME SPECIES**

How do you know all these animals are the same?  
If you look closely, what are their differences?

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### **ANIMALS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

How many kinds do you see?  
How many are pets?  
How many are wild animals?

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### **AN ANIMAL WITH HORNS**

How does the animal use its horns?  
How are horns different from antlers?

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### **VISIT OUR BUTTERFLY CAM**

How many butterflies are at the feeder?  
How many different kinds can you spot?

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### **AN ANIMAL THAT LIVES ON THE SAVANNA**

What body parts does it have to survive?  
What body parts are similar to yours?

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### **A GROUP OF ANIMALS THAT ARE SIBLINGS**

How many siblings are there?  
Do you have siblings?

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### **TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF PLANTS**

How are the plants alike?  
How are they different?



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**A TREE WITH FLOWERS**

What color are the flowers?  
What type of tree is it?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT LIVES IN THE MOUNTAINS**

What body parts does it have to help it survive in the mountains?  
What body parts does the animal have similar to yours?

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**A BIRD WITH WEBBED FEET**

Does this bird live on the ground, in the water, or in a tree?  
How does it use its webbed feet?

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**A GROUP OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF BIRDS**

Observe the birds. How do they use their beaks?  
Compare the beaks.  
How are they shaped?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH BIG EARS**

Why do you think hearing is important for this animal?  
Hearing is a sense. What other senses do animals use?



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**AN ANIMAL WITH BRIGHT COLORS**

What colors do you see?  
How do the bright colors help the animal survive?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH DULL COLOR**

What is the animal and what colors do you see?  
Why do you think the animal has dull colors?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH SHARP TEETH**

What do you think this animal eats? Why?  
Do you have any sharp teeth?

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**LOOK FOR PLANTS IN AN ANIMAL'S HABITAT**

How do you see the animal using the plants?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH A TAIL**

How does this animal use its tail to balance?  
How do you balance?

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**A PLANT WITH THORNS**

How might thorns help a plant survive?  
What do you imagine the thorns feel like?

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**A CARNIVOROUS PLANT**

What does this plant eat?  
How does it capture its food?

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**A SMALL ANIMAL THAT IS A CARNIVORE**

Being so small, how does this animal hunt for food?  
How could its size serve as an advantage?

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**A LARGE ANIMAL THAT IS A CARNIVORE**

What kind of teeth does it have to eat meat?  
Do you eat meat?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS PREY**

What makes this animal a prey animal?  
How do these animals attempt to avoid their predators?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS A HERBIVORE**

What kind of teeth does this animal have to eat plants?  
Do you eat plants?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS AN OMNIVORE**

What kind of teeth does it have to eat both meat and plants?  
Are you a carnivore, herbivore, or omnivore?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT USES PLANTS FOR SHELTER**

How does using the plants for shelter help the animal?  
Can you think of other uses the animal has for the plants?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT LIVES ON LAND AND IN THE WATER**

How does this animal split its time between land and water?  
Could this animal survive only in water? Why or why not?

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**FIND AN ANIMAL THAT NEEDS HUMANS TO HELP ITS SPECIES**

What animal did you find and why does it need your help?  
Discuss with your family how you could help this animal.



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**A FLOWER BED**

Do you see any animals or insects eating the flowers?

How do animals help plants survive?

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**A RECYCLING CONTAINER**

What can you recycle in this container?

Why is this container important?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT SOARS IN THE SKY**

What body parts does it have to help it soar?

How could you soar through the sky?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT STANDS ON ONE LEG**

Why do you think it's standing on one leg?

Count how many seconds you can stand on one leg.

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**AN ANIMAL COVERED WITH FUR**

How does fur help the animal? What do you use to cover up?

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**A VENOMOUS ANIMAL**

How does this animal inject its venom?

How does the venom help this animal?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH WHISKERS**

How does the animal use its whiskers?

What do you use instead of whiskers?

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**A GROUP OF DIFFERENT PLANTS**

Look at the leaves. How many different sizes do you see?

How many different shapes? Are they all the same color?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH STRIPES**

What colors are the stripes?

What purpose do you think the animal's stripes have?

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**A BIRD WITH A REALLY LONG NECK**

How does this animal use its neck to survive?

How is having a long neck an advantage?



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**AN ANIMAL THAT MOVES REALLY FAST**

How is this animal able to move so quickly?

Do you think you could move as fast as this animal?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT MOVES REALLY SLOWLY**

Does this animal walk, crawl, slither, or fly?

How does it protect itself from predators?

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**A DESERT PLANT**

Describe a desert environment.

What would you need to survive in a desert environment?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH A REALLY LONG TONGUE**

What color is this animal's tongue?

How many different ways does the animal use its tongue?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH CURVED CLAWS**

Where on the animal's body do you find claws?

What does this animal use these long claws for?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH SENSITIVE SKIN**

Why do you think its skin is sensitive?

What does the animal do to protect its skin?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT HAS A BAD ODOR**

Do you think this animal smells bad all the time?

What is this bad odor used for?



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**AN ANIMAL WITH SPINES**

What are the spines made out of?

What purpose do the spines have?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH A FURRY MANE**

What is a mane?

Where is the mane located on the animal?

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**A BIRD WITH COLORFUL FEATHERS**

Why does the bird want to stand out?

What colors do you wear when you want to stand out?

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**A NOCTURNAL ANIMAL**

What does nocturnal mean?  
What does this animal do at night?

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**WATCH OUR OWL CAM**

How many birds are outside?  
What do you see in the nest burrow?

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**AN ANIMAL FROM AFRICA**

Is it a mammal, bird, or reptile?  
How can this animal live here in Southern California?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS RESTING**

Why is it important to rest?  
How many hours do you sleep at night to feel rested?

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**RECORD SOME WILDLIFE OBSERVATIONS**

Choose three set times each day to check our animal cams or look out your window. For each day and time, note how many animals you see and what they are doing.

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS ENDANGERED**

Where does this animal live in the wild?  
Why is this animal endangered?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT DOESN'T HAVE ANY FUR OR HAIR**

How does this animal stay warm?  
Does their skin have any special characteristics?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH ANTLERS**

What are antlers used for?  
What type of material do you think the antlers are made of?

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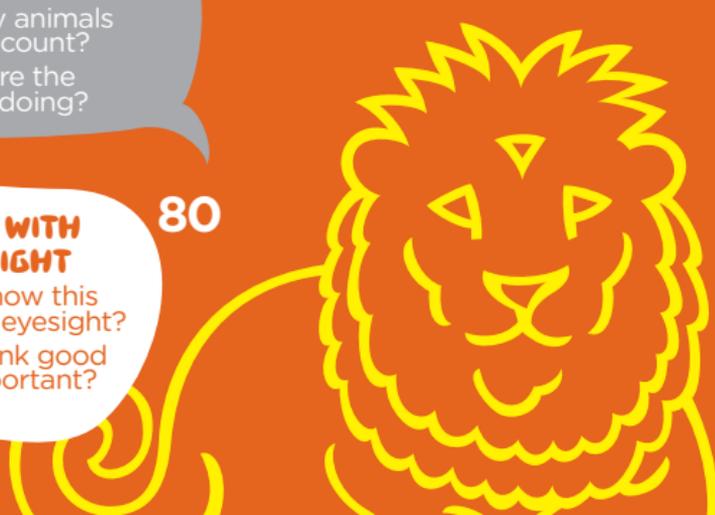
**A GROUP OF ANIMALS THAT LIVE IN A HERD**

How many animals can you count?  
What are the animals doing?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH GOOD EYESIGHT**

How do you know this animal has good eyesight?  
Why do you think good eyesight is important?



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**A TERRARIUM**

What did you find in the terrarium?

What is a terrarium designed to do?

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**AN ANIMAL NATIVE TO CALIFORNIA**

What kind of habitat does it like to live in? Is it endangered? Why?

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**TAKE A WALK WITH A GROWN UP AROUND YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

Count the trees you see.

Which is the tallest?

Which do you like the best? Why?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT LIKES TO HANG UPSIDE DOWN**

How does this animal hang upside down?

How long do you think you could hang upside down?

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**VISIT A DINING AREA**

Stand for one minute. Count how many people recycle their trash. Why is recycling important?

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**IDENTIFY TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF CACTI**

What makes them similar to each other?

What makes them different?

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**A TROPICAL PLANT**

Describe a tropical environment.

What is your favorite environment?

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**AN ANIMAL PERCHING IN A TREE**

What body parts help it perch?

How would you perch in a tree?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH A GOOD SENSE OF SMELL**

How do you know this animal has a good sense of smell?

How does having a good sense of smell help an animal?

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**AN INVERTEBRATE ANIMAL**

What is this animal missing?

What does the animal have instead of vertebrae?



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**AN ANIMAL THAT LOOKS LIKE THE ENVIRONMENT WHERE IT LIVES**

How does this animal blend into its environment?  
Why do you think the animal wants to blend in?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT IS GROOMING ITSELF**

Describe what the animal is doing.  
Why is grooming an important behavior?

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**AN ANIMAL GROOMING ANOTHER ANIMAL**

Why do animals like to groom each other?  
Do you groom yourself or do you have help?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH A LONG TRUNK**

How does the animal use its trunk?  
What do you have instead of a trunk?

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**AN ANIMAL WITH TUSKS**

What does the animal use its tusks for?  
What do you have instead of tusks?

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**AN ANIMAL THAT USES PLANTS TO HIDE**

What color is the animal?  
How does hiding in the plant help it?

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**A ROCK FORMATION**

What do rock formations offer to the animals?  
What animals do you see around this rock formation?

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**EXPLORE A GARDEN**

Identify three different plants.  
Count how many different colors you see.

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**A SWIMMING POOL ONLY FOR ANIMALS**

Who likes to swim here?  
Is this animal a mammal, bird, or reptile?

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**AN ANIMAL YOU ESPECIALLY LIKED SEEING TODAY**

What makes this animal your favorite?  
What features does this animal have that makes it special to you?

101!

**TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU DOING ONE OF OUR 101 THINGS.**

Upload the picture to the San Diego Zoo's Facebook page. Check out the other pictures and compare your experience with theirs.

**BONUS:** Take this list home with you. How many things are you able to find in your own backyard? Keep track of all your findings and revisit your list often.

**FINISHED?  
GOOD JOB!**

Why not start  
over and do it  
again?