

Passion Project - Animals

Part One: Introduction

Animals are classified into different groups like a mammal, a fish and so on, but there are certain characteristics that make a mammal a mammal or a fish a fish. Here are 4 characteristics that make a mammal a mammal:

1. Are vertebrates (means they have a backbone or spine)
2. Warm-blooded
3. Have hair on their bodies
4. Produce milk to feed babies

Here are 3 characteristics that make a fish a fish:

1. Cold-blooded
2. Has a backbone
3. Has fins

Here are 5 characteristics that make a bird a bird:

1. Feathers
2. Wings
3. Beak
4. Lays eggs
5. Has a skeleton

Part Two: Have fun sorting animals into their classifications (See my Google Drawing)

Part Three: I also found fun facts about the animals in the Word Sort.

1. Gray wolves usually live in packs of 7 or 8 individuals.
2. Giant pandas eat between 20 to 40 lbs. of bamboo each day
3. Gentoo penguins live for 15 to 20 years
4. Sand Tiger Sharks length range is from 6.5 ft. to 10.5 ft
5. Raccoons are 16 to 38 inches long
6. White-cheeked Gibbon are 18-26 in. tall
7. A tiger's stripes help it camouflage in the wild
8. Orangutans are sometimes referred to as "red apes"

9. The first otter was discovered in 1751

Part Four: Images

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Part Five: Conclusion

I chose to do my Passion Project on animals because I wanted to learn more about the characteristics that made an animal a mammal, fish, or bird. I learned about the differences that I discussed in Part One. I really enjoyed this project because it was fun discovering all the differences between the animals. As I was reading, I learned new things about each animal. I enjoy learning about all kinds of new things and I had never studied animals before.

My source: National Geographic Kids magazines