

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will understand the basic ways to take care of animals, including feeding, grooming, and providing a safe environment for them.

Materials and Prep

- No special materials are needed for this lesson.
- Be ready to talk about different animals and their needs.
- Prepare to go outside if possible to observe animals in their natural habitat (like birds or insects).

Activities

- **Animal Care Role Play:**

Let the student pretend to be a veterinarian or an animal caretaker. Use stuffed animals to practice feeding, grooming, and checking for health. This will help them understand how to care for animals.

- **Animal Feeding Time:**

Discuss what different animals eat. You can pretend to feed your stuffed animals with imaginary food, teaching the student about the diets of various animals.

- **Outdoor Animal Observation:**

If possible, go outside to look for birds, insects, or other animals. Talk about where these animals live and what they might need to survive.

- **Animal Care Chart:**

Create a simple chart with pictures of different animals and what they need (food, water, shelter). This can be done verbally and doesn't require writing.

Talking Points

- "Animals need food and water to be healthy, just like you!"
- "What do you think our pet would like to eat? Let's pretend to feed them!"
- "Where do you think animals live? Do they have a special home?"
- "Can you think of a way we can help animals stay safe and happy?"