

## Objective

By the end of this lesson, the 5-year-old student will be able to:

- Create animal-themed artwork using different materials
- Identify and match phonics sounds with animal names
- Participate in basic gymnastics and martial arts movements
- Engage in STEM activities related to animals
- Practice addition and subtraction using animal-themed math problems

## Materials and Prep

- Art supplies (paper, crayons, markers, glue, scissors)
- Animal picture cards or books
- Soft play mats or cushions for gymnastics
- Animal-themed STEM activity kits or materials (e.g., building blocks, animal puzzles)
- Math worksheets with animal-themed addition and subtraction problems

No prior knowledge or preparation is required for this lesson.

## Activities

- **Create Animal Artwork:** Encourage the student to draw or collage their favorite animals using the art supplies. They can also use animal-shaped stencils or templates for added fun.
- **Phonics Animal Match:** Show the student different animal picture cards or books and help them identify the initial phonics sound of each animal name. Have them match the animal picture with the corresponding letter or sound.
- **Gymnastics and Martial Arts Fun:** Set up a safe space with soft play mats or cushions. Teach the student basic gymnastics movements like jumping, rolling, and balancing. Introduce simple martial arts poses and let them practice punches and kicks in a playful manner.
- **STEM Animal Exploration:** Provide animal-themed STEM activity kits or materials for the student to explore. They can build animal habitats using blocks, solve animal puzzles, or engage in sensory activities with animal-themed objects.
- **Animal Math Problems:** Use the animal-themed math worksheets to practice addition and subtraction. Create simple word problems involving animals and encourage the student to solve them using manipulatives or drawing representations.

## Talking Points

- **Animal Artwork:** "Let's use our creativity to draw or make artwork of our favorite animals. What colors should we use? Can you tell me what animals you're drawing?"
- **Phonics Animal Match:** "Look at this picture of a lion. What sound does 'lion' start with? Can you find the letter 'L' or make the 'L' sound?"
- **Gymnastics and Martial Arts Fun:** "We are going to do some fun movements like jumping and rolling, just like animals do. Can you hop like a bunny or crawl like a bear? Let's also practice some karate punches and kicks, but remember it's all for fun and exercise!"
- **STEM Animal Exploration:** "Today, we have some cool STEM activities related to animals. We can build animal homes using blocks or solve puzzles with animal pictures. What other animal-related things would you like to explore?"
- **Animal Math Problems:** "Let's solve some math problems with animals! If we have 3 cats and 2 dogs, how many animals do we have in total? Can you show me using your fingers or draw them on the paper?"