

EVERYBODY OUTDOORS

ORANGE RESOURCE



SOUND, AIR AND TEXTURE

This resource encourages students to make their own choices and introduces them to different wild animals. You have the scope to connect with and support local conservation and wildlife with this resource. Interactions with animals and birds of all kinds are known to provide therapeutic effects on people and these activities offer increased connection opportunities between students and their local wildlife community.

WHAT YOU NEED

- Print out A3 pictures of native animals that are likely to be seen in your local area
- Select textures which correspond to those animals. Examples could include: faux fur for deer, feather pillow and a robust concertina fan for owls, cornflour slime for slugs and snails, sandpaper and cold metal shower hosing for snakes.
- 1 x picture of an owl & 1 x picture of a deer
- 1 x hand held concertina fan
- 1 x piece of faux fur
- Lap tray

SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

Feeling creatures



Students can choose from the different A3 pictures which 'creature' they want to experience. Preferences to be noted. If available, sound recordings of the creatures or video footage of those animals, might provide additional stimulation.

Alert Creatures



For this activity you will need the owl and deer picture and the textures which correspond to them. Using the pictures, students can choose between becoming an owl or a deer. They will then travel around site as their chosen creature.

- For the 'owls' use the fans to create airflow around the student's face. Watch closely to see what students are looking at with interest and take them to look closer.
- Ensure that the 'Deers' can experience hearing different noises in your outdoor area. Explore the sounds students show most interest in and note their preferences. Soft faux fur can be attached to lap trays to provide effective touch mats.