CARDINAL COMPASS HOMESCHOOL NETWORK

Wildlife and adaptation

FIELD TRIP PACK / Family planner



Washington, D.C. | Life science

Start with a question

How do structures and behaviors help an animal meet a need in its habitat?

Plan your outings

These are two independent outings or stops. Choose the order and pace that work for your family. Before leaving, use the official pages to check hours, tickets or passes, access, and closures. Bring this pack, a pencil, and a way to record details where permitted.

1. National Museum of Natural History

Official visit and planning information

2. Smithsonian’s National Zoo

Official visit and planning information

Adjust for your learner

Younger learners can draw and dictate. Older learners can distinguish observation from interpretation, cite a label or map, and explain where evidence is missing.

Wrap-up project

Make a two-animal field guide with evidence and one unanswered question.

Our visit dates and one thing we need to confirm

Form, function, and habitat

OUTING 1 / Student field sheet



Name _____ Date _____

Your field task

Draw a side-by-side comparison of two structures. Add an arrow from each structure to a possible function.

Sketch or diagram

What did you observe? What did you read or hear?

One question to investigate next