

Wildlife Homes

Ideas under the topic can include:

KEY STAGE 1:

- Compare the habitat of different animals in the Wildlife Park.
- Look for the animals that use camouflage to protect themselves in their home.
- Compare the animals' home/habitat to the children's' own home.
- Make a model of a wildlife habitat.

KEY STAGE 2:

- Compare the habitat's that can be seen in the Wildlife Park with the animals' natural habitat.
- Make a collage showing animal's homes at different levels. E.g. Oran-U-Tans live in the branches of the trees, S.American Marmosets/Owls and Parrots nest in tree holes, Gorillas rest for the night on the ground and Rabbits live in warrens underground.
- Plot the animals' origins in a world map.
- Research the natural life expectancy of various wild animals at the Wildlife Park. How is it changing over the years?
- Discuss the role of the Wildlife Park in helping with endangered species.
- Look at the effect on wildlife if a busy road was built by the children's home or school.
- Make up a "Be on the lookout Poster" describing an animal which is missing from the Wildlife Park. Remember to describe the appearance of the animal but also the type of habitat he/she may be lurking in.

To support the topic of "Wildlife Homes", Paradise Wildlife Park has to offer:

1. Numerous varied habitats, with explanatory signs giving information about geographical origins, natural habitat and feeding habits of the animals.
2. An interactive rainforest habitat for squirrel monkeys where children can learn about and experience first hand, a tropical rainforest.
3. Viewing of a short video during your visit that shows the work Paradise Wildlife Park is undertaking in Africa's Serengeti Plain, to help with a vaccination programme for domestic dogs against rabies and canine distemper virus. This is shown in the "ARC", the Animal Resource Centre.