

Discussion Points:

1. What were the most frequent behaviours you observed for this animal?
2. Why do you think the animal behaved in this way? Was there an obvious stimulus for any of the behaviours observed? Was there a change in behaviour over time?
3. Do you think the behaviours observed were instinctive or learned? Is there any evidence for the mechanism(s) by which these animals learn new behaviours e.g. social learning, conditioning?
4. How do you think this behaviour would help the animal to survive in the wild?
5. How does this behaviour compare to other individuals in the group? *Why?*
6. How does this behaviour compare to other species you or your classmates observed during the Zoo visit? *Why?*
7. How reliable do you think your results are? Was the method used appropriate for this study?
8. If you could repeat the observation again, how would you do it differently?
9. If you wanted to extend the study to find out more about the behaviour of this animal, how could you do this? How could this help with the care of animals in Zoos or their conservation in the wild?

Back at school: Use your results to create a time budget pie chart for the individual animal you observed and compare this to different individuals of the same species. Can you also collate all the class data for this particular species and compare it to the class data for a different animal?