## Unit 7: The Animal Kingdom

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### Week 1: Baby Animals

| Trait: Word Choice- Action Words |
| Writing Focus: Write an Animal Card |

### Common Core ELA Standards

*Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory text in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic* W.K.2  
*With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.* W.K.8  
*Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.* SL.K.5  
*Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.* SL.K.6

### Writing Activities/Tasks:

- Word Choice: T18, T32, T40, T50  
- Write an Animal Card: T18, T32, T41, T50, T58

### LANGUAGE/GRAMMAR

#### Common Core ELA Standards

*Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs* L.K.1b

#### Language/Grammar Activities/Tasks:

- **Grammar:**  
  - Action Words (Verbs) T19, T33, T41, T51, T59
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**Common Core ELA Standards**

*Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory text in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic **W.K.2***

*With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question. **W.K.8***

*Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly. **SL.K.6***

**Writing Activities/Tasks:**

Word Choice: T100, T114, T122, T132, T140

Write Explanatory Text: T100, T114, T122-123, T132, T140

**LANGUAGE/GRAMMAR**

**Common Core ELA Standards**

*Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs **L.K.1b***

**Language/Grammar Activities/Tasks:**

**Grammar:**

Action Words (Verbs): T101, T115, T123, T133, T141
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## Big Idea: What are different kinds of animals?
15 days to complete unit

## Week 3: Animal Habitats
5 days for week 3

**Trait:**
Ideas- How and Why Questions About a Topic

**Writing Focus:**
Write Questions and Answers

**Common Core ELA Standards**
*Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happen.* W.K.3  
*With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.* W.K.8  
*Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.* SL.K.3  
*Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.* SL.K.6

**Writing Activities/Tasks:**
Ideas: T182, T196, T204, T214, T222  
Write Questions and Answers: T182, T196, T204, T214, T222

**LANGUAGE/GRAMMAR**

**Common Core ELA Standards**
*Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs* L.K.1b  
*Understand and use questions words.* L.K.1d  
*Recognize and name end punctuation.* L.K.2b

**Language/Grammar Activities/Tasks:**
Action Words (Verbs): T183, T197, T205, T215, T223