

Design your Own Animal

Materials:

- Construction Paper
- Recyclable Materials
- Paint
- Glue
- Scissors
- Markers
- Googly Eyes

Objective: Explorers will learn about animal adaptations and then design their own animal!

Activity:

- Animals are like superheroes, and animal adaptations are their superpowers!
- An important part of animals is how they adapt! An animal adaptation is a special skill which helps an animal to survive and do everything it needs to survive.
- Have a discussion:
 - What are some animals good at?
 - Ex: A cheetah running after its prey
 - Ex: A frog using its tongue to catch flies
 - Ex: A porcupine having quills to defend itself
- Brainstorm your favorite animal adaptations and use them to design your own animal!
Create a planning sheet and have them fill it out.
 - Create a new species name and design an animal
 - Select one or several characteristics from each of the following columns:

Fur	Legs/arms	Eyes	Mammal
Feather	Wings	Ears	Bird
Scales	Tail	Mouth	Reptile
Slim	None	Nose	Fish

- Design Time
 - Explorers can use various craft items you put out to make their own animal creation. Make sure you create a planning sheet before you begin. This will help explorers sort their thoughts.

