# "A mess in the zoo"

#### PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

Vocabulary about animals, food...

**LEVEL:** Third cycle

OBJECTIVES: to produce and understand a written description of an animal following a model.

To produce and understand an oral production of an animal description.

		TEACHER'S	STUDENTS'	INTER-		
STEP	TIME	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	ACTION	MATERIAL	CONTENTS
STEP	TIME	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	ACTION	MATERIAL	Oral comprehension of a story.  Oral and written production and comprehension of the vocabulary and the structures worked.  Written expression and comprehension of an animal description.  Oral expression and comprehension of the description of an animal description.  Interest for the acquisition of the new contents and the development of the unit.  Interest in knowing the fauna of different regions of the world. Positive attitude towards the oral and written classmate's productions.  Positive attitude towards working in groups and in pairs.
1	1 session	where they can find	animals they know and which animals they want to learn about.  Then the pupils and the teacher talk about different ways to find information about animals. Each pupil decides which resource will use to find out the	Whole class	A poster with the contents and the objectives to be developed during the unit.  Some flashcards of animals (to make more comprehensible the story)	
2	1 session	about animals (from Internet, books, and dictionaries,			Different information of animals which pupils have found.	

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		teacher recollects the information and explains						
		it to them. This is a way						
		to let a cooperation work						
		and a self learning.						
		The teacher works on						
		the previous knowledge						
		of animals that the						
		pupils have got through						
		different oral games.						
3	1 session			Whole class	A worksheet with a grid to			
		The teacher reviews with	Pupils review some		complete for each group.			
		the pupils some previous		In groups				
		vocabulary about food		<i>C</i> 1	Different bags with word			
		(fruit, meat, fish)			cards.			
		different habitats (in the						
		forest, in the sea, in the						
		jungle)	Then, in groups, they					
		And introduces the name	complete a grid with					
		of the continents. Then,	the information which					
		the teacher tells the	they can find inside					
		continent which each	different bags. There					
		animal comes from, in	is a bag with food					
		order to familiarize with	word cards, another					
		the different places. This	with the continents					
		unit can be connected	word cards, another					
		with the previous unit						
			cards. Each bag has					
		nationalities of the	C					
		pupils of the class.	wordcards and pupils					
			have to decide which					
		The teacher explains the						
		activity "complete the	with each animal.					
		grid" and remembers to						
		the students how to use a						
		dictionary if they don't						
4		know some word.	D 11 (111 1 110)	****				
4	1 session				An example of technique			
		pupils the grid that they			card of an animal.			
		have done the last		individually				
		session in order to						
		remember the different						
		characteristics of the						
		animals worked.	the descriptions of the					
		The teacher shows to the	animais in order to					

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		pupils a technique sheet about an animal and explains that they will do the rest of the sheets with the information of the grid, so the teacher shows a real animal description. The description will be the textual typology of this unit.						
5	1 session	The teacher helps to the pupils to memorize and pronounce well the description chose to tell to the others.  In this step the teacher has already helped them to remember the previous knowledge, to find the information from different resources, to learn about it so now it is time to do the production.	description of the animal orally to a classmate in order to practise it.	•	The descriptions of the animals			
6	1 session	One teacher records one by one the pupils telling the animal description which they have studied by heart. The rest of the pupils with the English teacher are working on the portfolio telling what they have learnt during the development of the unit.  The teacher will evaluate the recordings of the pupils.	biographies will the help of the teacher.		Biographies of the portfolio box			

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STEP	TIME	TEACHER'S ACTIVITIES	STUDENTS' ACTIVITIES	INTER- ACTION	MATERIAL		CONTENTS	
7		The teacher writes on the blackboard the opinions of the pupils once they have finished the unit. The teacher helps them to talk about the different ways to find information, about the new vocabulary and the previous one, likes and dislikes about the unit, difficulties and easy things the way to learn	about what they have learnt and how they have done it.	and individually	The wides			
8	1 session	The teacher explains that they are going to watch the video recorded with the different descriptions of the animals that they have done, and tells that they have learn from the words of the animals, sentences, the written description to the oral production (the guessing game)	productions of their classmates and guess which animal each		The video (the video and the written description is for the dossier)			
9	1 session	The teacher has evaluated the oral productions (through the video), and the written production (through the written description), the process and the attitude during the development of the unit. In this session the teacher will evaluate the reading skill through a text of animals with some multiple comprehension choice.	Pupils will do the test.	Individually	Reading test			

#### De la biografia he adaptat alguns descriptors per a la unitat, d'altres són iguals. Listening

Comprendre que succeeix en una història que m'expliquen.

Comprendre descripcions senzilles d'animals.

#### Reading

Llegir i comprendre frases curtes que he practicat sobre animals.

Llegir descripcions senzilles d'animals.

#### **Speaking**

Reproduir una descripció d'un animal realitzada.

#### **Oral interaction**

Utilitzar paraules i gestos per fer-me entendre durant l'expressió oral de la descripció de l'animal.

#### **Writing**

Escriure una descripció d'un animal amb l'ajuda d'un model i d'imatges.

#### Competències bàsiques

Durant el desenvolupament de la unitat es treballen les següents competències bàsiques: comunicativa lingüística i audiovisual i d'aprendre a aprendre.

#### **MATERIALS STEP 1**

#### (story "A mess in the zoo")

As every day, Tom was working in the zoo. He works as a keeper and he feeds the animals, but one day Tom had got a terrible problem in the zoo. Nobody knows the reason, but Tom forgot to lock some of the cages and some animals escaped from their cages to the middle of the zoo. Fortunately, Tom noticed the disaster!

Can you help Tom to put each animal to the correct cage?

Each cage has got an animal description in order to know about the animal which lives in, so these descriptions can help you and Tom. For this reason, first of all we will work on animal's descriptions in order to understand them and put the animals in the correct place.

## **Material step 3**

ANIMALS	WHERE IS THE ANIMAL FROM?	WHERE DOES IT LIVE?	WHAT DOES IT <b>EAT</b> ?	WHAT INTERESTING THINGS CAN YOU EXPLAIN ABOUT THE ANIMAL?
INDIAN RHINO				
LEMUR				
KOALA				

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RACCOON			
BELGIUM DOG			
BULL			

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(These cards are in different bags, pupils have to match the cards with the animals showed in the previous grid, taking into account the information found.)

PLANTS	LEAVES
MEAT	INSECTS
FRUIT	SMALL ANIMALS
IN THE WATER	IN THE AIR
IN THE JUNGLE	IN THE SAVANNAH
IN THE FOREST	IN THE MOUNTAINS
FROM AFRICA	FROM ASIA
FROM AMERICA	FROM OCEANIA
FROM EUROPE	

## Materials step 4

Visit wild adventure safari park and learn about the animals...

ANIMA	AL OF THE WILD ADVENTURE SAFARI PARK
	It is aKoala
It is from	Oceania (Australia)
	In the forest
	Eucalyptus
Curiosities:	Koala can sleep around 19 hour every day

### **Materials step 4**

(Pupils have to fill the following worksheet using the information of the grid and following the example of the koala)

Visit wild adventure safari park and learn about the animals...

	ANIM	IAL OF THE WILD ADVENTURE SAFARI PARK
	Photo	It is a
It l	ives ineats	

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## **Materials step 8**

(The video recorded, pupils watch the video and guess the animal of each pupil description)