Lesson 1: Animals in the Natural World—The Importance of Wild Places
Worksheet 4: Endangered Animal Report

Do research in the library or online about an endangered species. Use notecards to take research notes. The final report should have a cover, title, table of contents, and the following sections:

1. Introduction: Why have you chosen this species?

2. Description: Describe the animal chosen. What does it look like? How does it move? Does it have camouflage capabilities?

3. Habitat: Where does this animal live? What is this habitat like? Why does the animal live in this habitat?

4. Food: How does this animal obtain its food? Does the animal eat a variety of foods? What if there is no food for the animal?

5. Enemies and Predators: Who is dangerous to this animal’s life? Does man pose a threat to this animal or to this animal’s habitat? In which ways does this animal adapt to threats in order to protect itself (such as run, fly, change color, and so on)?

6. Reproduction: How does this animal reproduce itself?

7. Endangered Species: Why is this animal part of an endangered species? What causes the threat to its existence?

8. Possible Extinction: Is this animal expected to become extinct? Why or why not?

9. Conclusions: Why did you choose to study this animal? What did you learn from studying this animal?

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