

Additional Readings:

Week 1

By the Authors and Illustrators

Fleming, Denise. *Alphabet Under Construction*. Henry Holt, 2002. Mouse takes a trip through the alphabet. Dynamic and color-filled illustrations make the journey exciting.

Related to the Theme

Brown, Margaret Wise. *Where Have You Been?* HarperCollins, 2004. In repetitious verse on each page, the same question and answer format is used with several different animals throughout this beautifully illustrated picture book.

Davis, Katie. *Who Hops?* Harcourt, 1998. This book describes creatures that hop, fly, slither, swim, and crawl.

Henkes, Kevin. *Kitten's First Full Moon*. Greenwillow, 2004. When Kitten sees the moon for the first time, she thinks it is one big delicious bowl of milk; so she attempts to get to it.

Jenkins, Steve. *What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?* Houghton Mifflin, 2003. The young reader is invited to guess the amazing thing each animal can do with the different parts of its body.

Martin, Bill. *Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What Do You See?* Henry Holt, 2003. The illustrations and rhyming text in this book present ten different endangered animals.

McCall, Francis X. *A Huge Hog is a Big Pig*. Greenwillow, 2002. A variety of farm animals are introduced with phrases like *granny nanny*, *soggy doggy*, and a *loose goose*.



Week 2	Week 3
<p>Knox, Barbara. <i>Under the Sea 1, 2, 3: Counting Ocean Life</i>. Capstone Press, 2003. A variety of sea creatures is presented from one parrotfish to ten crabs.</p>	<p>Newman, Marjorie. <i>Is That What Friends Do?</i> Random House, 2001. Monkey and Elephant decide to become friends, but sometimes friendship can be hard when one of them is thoughtless.</p>
<p>Buzzeo, Toni. <i>Little Loon and Papa</i>. Dial Books, 2004. Little Loon gathers the courage to dive the way his father has taught him.</p>	<p>Ashman, Linda. <i>Castles, Caves, and Honeycombs</i>. Harcourt, 2001. This beautifully illustrated book is written in verse and describes the many unique dwellings that various creatures live in.</p>
<p>Chen, Chih-Yuan. <i>Guji Guji</i>. Kane/Miller, 2005. Guji, a crocodile, was raised as a duck and is faced with a loyalty issue when he learns who he really is.</p>	<p>Carle, Eric. <i>Slowly, Slowly, Slowly, Said the Sloth</i>. Philomel Books, 2002. All of the different habits of the sloth are described as he passes the day in the tree where he lives; illustrated with beautiful collage.</p>
<p>Guarino, Deborah. <i>Is Your Mama a Llama?</i> Scholastic, 1989. Set in rhyme, a young llama asks his friends if their mamas are llamas and discovers that their mamas are other types of animals.</p>	<p>Frost, Helen. <i>Tree Frogs</i>. Pebble Books, 2002. Three tiny amphibians pose in full color photos to offer a good introduction to young nature lovers to the natural world.</p>
<p>James, Simon. <i>Little One Step</i>. Candlewick Press, 2003. On their way home to their mother, the littlest duck is instructed by his brother to just keep putting one foot in front of another, earning his name "Little One Step."</p>	<p>Gregoire, Elizabeth. <i>Whose House is This?</i> Picture Window Books, 2005. On each colorful page, the reader is asked to observe which animal is featured in its natural habitat. Answers are provided on the opposite page.</p>
<p>Komori, Atsushi. <i>Animal Mothers</i>. Philomel, 1983. This shows animal mothers helping their offspring in moving from one place to the next.</p>	<p>Tafari, Nancy. <i>Silly Little Goose!</i> Scholastic, 2001. Goose looks around for the perfect place to lay her eggs, but every time she finds a good spot, it turns out to belong to another animal. She finally finds the right place for her nest and proves that persistence pays off.</p>
<p>Schutte, Sarah L. <i>African Animals ABC: An Alphabet Safari</i>. Capstone Press, 2003. This introduces African animals through photos and a brief text that describes one animal for each letter of the alphabet.</p>	<p>Thompson, Lauren. <i>Polar Bear Night</i>. Scholastic, 2004. A polar bear wanders from his home to watch a star shower and then returns to the comfort of his den and his mother.</p>

