

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Interest Areas	Block building: Build a zoo Display a zoo map, provide photos of zoo entrance, gift shop & restaurants. Literacy: Animal Alphabet Puzzles	Writing Center: Writing/Tracing animal names. Provide alphabet stamps, magnetic letters for children who are not comfortable writing. Sensory: Sweep a Zebra Enclosure	Block building: Build a habitat for elephant
Vocabulary of the Day	Habitat (栖息地), Wild (野生的), Tame (驯服的), Zookeeper (动物园管理员)	Camouflage (保护色), Herd (兽群), Stripes (条纹), Adaptation (适应性),	Elephant (大象), Herbivore (食草动物), Trunk (象鼻), Zoologist (动物学家)
Question of the Day	Why some animals live on a farm and others may be kept in a zoo?	How do zebra's stripes act like camouflage?	Why is elephant's nose so long?
Large Group	Music & movement: "Walking in the Jungle" Discussion & shared writing: Invite children to share with each other their experience with animals. Discuss the Question of the Day and introduce the concept of animal habitats. Create a KWL chart for zoo animals. Play zoo animal guessing game.	Rhyme: One, One, the Zoo is Lots of Fun! Discuss animal camouflage and why some animals need to be hidden to be safe. Read about zebra and giraffe facts. Investigate other animals that use camouflage for protection. "Zebras" by JoAnn Early Macken (Animals I See at the Zoo series) "Giraffe" by Anders Hanson.	Music & movement: "Elephant Song" Discussion and Shared Writing: Observe the way an elephant uses its trunk. Discuss why it might need to use its "nose" in this way. Read about elephant facts. "Elephant" by Anders Hanson.
Read-Aloud	"Dear Zoo" by Rod Campbell "1, 2, 3 to the Zoo" by Eric Carle "The View at the Zoo" by Kathleen Bostrom	"A Zebra's World" by Caroline Arnold "Giraffe Can't Dance" by Giles Andreae "长颈鹿不会跳舞"	"African Elephant" by Kirsten Hall "Stand Back," Said the Elephant, "I'm Going to Sneeze!" by Patricia Thomas "盲人摸象"
Small Group	Science: Animal Sorting (On the Farm or At the Zoo?) Fine Motor Skills: Zoo Play Dough	Creative Art: Zebra/Giraffe Craft Literacy: Alphabet Zoo Concentration Game Each time players find a match, challenge them to state one fact they know about the animal.	Creative Art: Elephant Craft Math/Gross Motor: Stomp on Numbers
Mighty Minutes	Game: "Zookeeper Says"	Game: Zookeeper, May I?	Game: Feed the Elephant

	Thursday	Friday	Make Time for...
Interest Area	Block Building: Provide plastic monkeys and gorillas, baskets for cages and show how to build a cage. Manipulative: Jumping Monkeys Game	Block Building: Build a lion's den Manipulative: Clean Up the Poo in the Zoo	Outdoor Experiences: 1. Animal Roundup Game 2. Tin Can Stilts
Vocabulary of the Day	Monkey (猴子), Gorilla (大猩猩), Veterinarian (兽医)	Carnivore (食肉动物), Cub (幼兽), Ferocious(凶猛的)	
Question of the Day	Is Gorilla a type of monkey?	What is the largest type of 'big cat' in the world?	
Large Group	Music & Movement: Five Little Monkeys Swing on a Vine". Discussion & Shared Writing: Read about Monkey and Gorilla facts. "Gorillas" by Patricia Kendell "Monkeys" by Julie Murray	Music & Movement: "两只老虎", "Going on a lion hunt" Discussion & Shared Writing: Read about Lion and Tiger facts. "Tigers" by JoAnn Early Macken "Lion" by Suzi Eszterhas	
Read-Aloud	"Monkey King" by Ed Young "Good Night, Gorilla" by Peggy Rathmann "猴子捞月亮"	"The Lion and the Mouse" by Jerry Pinkney "狐假虎威"	
Small Group	Math: Sequencing main events in the book "Good Night, Gorilla"(use pictures of all the animals and practice putting in the order that the zookeeper told them goodnight.) Game: Monkeys on a Tightrope	Literacy: Alphabet Zoo Concentration Game Provide a set of the Small, Medium, and Large sequence cards. Have children sort one set of the zoo concentration cards in to animals sizes that match the size represented by the sequence card.	
Mighty Minutes	Gross Motor: "Five Silly Monkey Jump in Bed"	Game: Catch a Tiger's by the Tail	

