



## Hey, Let's Go on a Safari!

### LESSON GOALS

- Identify an animal from Africa
- Write detailed information about that animal based on their observations

### GRADES

6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>

### MATERIALS

- Clipboards
- Pencils
- Computers

### STANDARDS

- SCI.6.3.5

### RECOMMENDED ASSESSMENT

- Grade worksheet based on completeness
- Discuss observations of the animals

Practice your students' observation skills as they learn about the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo predators and preys in African Journey. Did you know that predators and prey are important to nature because they help maintain a balance in the ecosystems around the world? See below for a variety of questions to engage your students even further:

- Is it a predator or a prey? How do you know?
- Why do you think there are preys and predators in the wild?
- How are predators able to hunt prey?
- How are prey able to avoid predators?

Have students find or research for 3 predators and 3 prey found in African Journey to observe for this assignment. Encourage them to pick an animal that they do not know much about to help expand their knowledge on animals from Africa. Answer students' questions the best you can as they observe individually on their animal. There are many informational signs of each animal, so encourage your students to read them to answer the worksheet's questions. If they're completing research at home or school, have them visit <https://kidszoo.org/our-animals/> and click on African Journey to figure out which ones are predators or preys. Once they completed their observation, have them find a partner to compare their findings.

Be on the lookout for other African animals at the zoo! Share your lessons with the Fort Wayne Children' Zoo. Tag #fwkidszoo or email [education@kidszoo.org](mailto:education@kidszoo.org) to express how you used these supplemental activities!



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# Predators & Preys on the Savannah

Complete the chart by using your observations, knowledge, & research.

<b>PREDATORS</b>	<b>THEIR PREY</b>	<b>HOW DO THEY CAPTURE THEIR PREY?</b>	<b>SPECIAL ADAPTATIONS FOR HUNTING</b>
<b>PREY ANIMALS</b>	<b>THEIR FOOD</b>	<b>THEIR PREDATORS</b>	<b>HOW DO THEY AVOID FROM BEING EATEN?</b>