

Animal needs for survival

Key concepts covered: Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air). Animal dietary needs can be categorised as: carnivore, herbivore, omnivore or insectivore. Reptiles also need external heat because their bodies don't generate their own heat.

Skills: Ask simple questions and recognise that they can be answered in different ways. Gather and record data to help in answering questions. Identify and classify. Use observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.

Key vocabulary

Air – to breathe

Survival – stay alive

Shelter – to stay safe

Food – gives animals energy

Carnivore – eats meat

Herbivore – eats plants

Omnivore – eats meat and plants

Insectivore – eats insects

Mammals

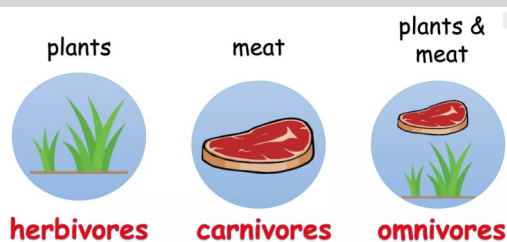
Birds

Fish

Amphibians

Reptiles

Humans



Must—know knowledge

- All animals need air, water, food and shelter to survive.
- Understand the terms: carnivore, herbivore, omnivore and insectivore.
- Explore the differences between fish and amphibians.
- Understand that reptiles also need external heat to survive as they cannot generate their own body heat.
- Understand that humans are mammals.
- Understand the basic needs for survival in humans and compare these with other animals.



ANIMAL CLASSIFICATION

