



MINNESOTA ZOO
Changing how you see the world

Culture: Animal Folklore Onsite Activity

Vocabulary:

Trickster

Predator

Prey

Habitat

Adaptation

Introduction:

In this activity students will read different animal folktales from different cultures. Students will then create an animal folk tale of their own.

Objectives:

At the end of this lesson, the students will:

1. Learn about animal folklore from different countries.
2. Research an animal to create their own folktale.

Procedure:

1. Choose an animal to create a folktale about.
2. Find out the following information about your animal:
 - a. In what country(s) does your animal live in?
 - b. In what kind of habitat can your animal be found in?
 - c. Is your animal a predator or prey?
 - d. What does your animal eat? What eats your animal?
 - e. What special adaptations does it have? Is it fast? Is it colorful? Does it have big ears?