

TEACHER NOTES

Science: Biology

Animals: Donkey Health



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Contextual Summary

This is an engaging on-site resource that challenges students to investigate and score donkeys' health characteristics.

This resource is designed for students in lower key stage 2 who are accessing the part of the Science National Curriculum that involves identifying 'that animals need the right types and amount of nutrition'.

This resource is designed ideally for students of various abilities to work as part of a pair, moving around the Sanctuary to complete the tasks.

SUBJECT

Science: Biology

UNIT

Animals: Donkey Health

OPPORTUNITIES FOR USE

- ✗ Pre-Visit
- ✓ On-Site Activity
- ✗ Post-Visit



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It would be useful if students had previous discussions about different characteristics of donkeys.

It would also be useful if students know the key words found in the table found on the worksheet.

Ability Levels

There are two variants of this resource, one for higher and lower ability students in lower key stage 2.

Teachers can support students in their undertaking of the challenge as necessary for ability, and students could work together in mixed ability pairings to support each other.

CURRICULUM / SYLLABUS

- ✓ National Curriculum 2014
- ✓ Curriculum for Excellence

Applies to Resources numbered:

104051
104052

Key skills practised in this unit:

- Students will use visual observation to begin to categorise the health of different animals based on their observations.
- Students will also use relevant scientific language to discuss their ideas and communicate their findings.

Relationship to Curriculum

The above skills are required to be taught and practised as part of the Science National Curriculum 2014 for lower key stage 2: animals/nutrition.

Learning Opportunities

During the Visit

Completion of the Science / Biology resource linked with this document: *Scores of Donkeys!*

Resource ID:

104051 (KS2L low-mid ability)

104052 (KS2L mid-high ability)

- ▶ Students work individually, in pairs, or small groups.
- ▶ They are using scientific terms to describe their observations.
- ▶ They are able to gather and record data.

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Enrichment Opportunities

- ▶ Opportunities exist for students to gain valuable practice in finding answers to scientific questions, and gaining knowledge in a subject new to them.

Learning Outcomes

- ✓ Identify that donkeys need the right amount and type of nutrition.
- ✓ Be able to compare and contrast the diets of different donkeys

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