



Animal Homes Design Project Lessons

Websites

Animal Homes

An excellent website that lists, describes, and displays photos highlighting many different kinds of animal homes.

(<http://www.kidport.com/reflib/science/animalhomes/animalhomes.htm>)

Houses

Whether organisms live in an old abandoned shell or hang upside down in a barn, they all need a home. Students using this website can click on pictures of different organisms to learn detailed information about the ways they make their homes.

(<http://www.units.muohio.edu/dragonfly/houses/>)

Underground and Burrowing Animal Printouts

Included on this website are printouts of animals that make their homes and spend most of their lives underground.

(<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/coloring/Underground.shtml>)

Animal Homes

After giving a brief overview of animal homes, students can do an internet search to match specific homes (such as nests, burrows, thickets and dens) to different animals.

(http://www.uen.org/utahlink/activities/view_activity.cgi?activity_id=3804)



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Books

Animals at Home

By David Lock. (2007, DK Publishing)

This easy-reading book includes beautiful photos and cut-away views of the inside of a termite mound, wasp nest, and mole burrow.

Animal Homes (Science Kids series)

By Angela Wilkes. (2003, Kingfisher)

Photographs and facts about a variety of animal homes. Projects at the end of the book include making a hamster playpen.

Animal Homes (True Books: Animals)

By Ann O. Squire. (2001, Children's Press)

This book uses a paragraph format and photos to introduce animal homes. It includes a section about "Unwelcome Guests," such as cockroaches and squirrels, that live in people's houses.

Animal Homes (An Usborne Lift-the-Flap Book)

By Debbie Martin; designed by Jane Rigby; illustrated by Alan Baker. (1999, Usborne Publishing, Ltd.)

Beautiful illustrations, easy text, and plenty of lift-the-flap pictures lead young readers through a variety of general information about animal homes such as a dormouse nest, polar bear den, and chimpanzee tree house.

Burrows, Nests & Lairs: Animal Architects

By Alda Spade; illustrated by Filippo Cappelini and Maria Mantevani. (2007, Lark Books)

Beautifully illustrated and loaded with information, this book gives details about several animals that build specialized homes—for example the common tailorbird that sews leaves together to make a nesting site.



Flip the Flaps Animal Homes

By Judy Allen and Simon Mendez. (2009, Kingfisher)

This book artfully combines photos and illustrations in lift-the-flap questions and answers about animal homes in trees, under stones, in burrows, ponds, shells, caves, and animal-built structures.

What Do You Call a Termite Home? And Other Animal Homes

By Emma Nathan. (2000, Blackbirch Press, Inc)

Using simple question and answer text with photographs, this book introduces several animal homes and their names. "What Do You Know?" facts on each animal provide more details.

Whose House Is This: A Look at Animals Homes—Webs, Nests, and Shells

By Elizabeth Gregoire; illustrated by Derrick Alderman and Denise Shea. (2005, Picture Window Books)

Simple paintings and easy text, along with "fun facts," teach about animal homes, including ones that animals find (such as the leaf under which a red-eyed tree frog sleeps) and carry on their bodies (such as a snail shell).