

Animal Life Cycles



Over the last few weeks we have been looking at the characteristics and features of mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish and insects. This week we are going to focus on the life cycles of animals beginning with an amphibian and a mammal.

A life cycle is the journey an animal takes from birth until death and how they reproduce the next generation – have babies.

You need to complete the task sheet in the home learning folder and write an explanation for each stage for both an amphibian and a mammal.

To help you there are examples of each life cycle in the home learning folder, but you must not simply copy the information, but re-write it in your own words.

You may like to do some research yourself about the life cycles of amphibians and mammals to help you. Some useful websites are listed below. If you complete your own search remember to add ks2 or for children at the end of any search.

There is a challenge task at the end.

Useful websites.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv/articles/ztckqt>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Spring/FrogLifeCycle.aspx?age=ks2> (You need to keep clicking on the next button to continue the life cycle)

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/animals-and-nature/amphibians/life-cycle-frog/>

<https://kidadl.com/articles/the-life-cycle-of-a-mammal-ks2>

Challenge Task

Using the life cycles you have create, we would like you to compare the life cycles of an amphibian and a mammal and explain what is the same and what is different about them.

Then you need to explain why they are different referring back to the similarities and differences we have looked at in previous weeks.