

LESSON PLAN

GIANT PRESENTATION

Series: Nature's Giants

Objective

To help students find and present key ideas from a nonfiction book about a large animal.

Supplies

- One or more books in the Nature's Giants series
- Whiteboard
- Paper and pencils
- Computer access for students
- Google Slides or another presentation software

Before the Activity

Write the following questions on the whiteboard:

- How big is this animal?
- Where does this animal live?
- What does this animal look like?
- What does this animal eat?
- How much does this animal eat?
- Does this animal live in groups?
- How many babies does this animal have?
- How long does this animal usually live?

Activity

Invite each student to choose one book from the Nature's Giants series to read for this activity. As students read, they should look for the answers to the eight questions on the whiteboard. They should write each answer on a sheet of paper. Then, each student should make a slide presentation about their animal. This presentation should have 10 slides. It should start with a title slide telling the student's name and the animal they chose. Next, the presentation should have one slide for each of the eight questions written on the whiteboard. Each of these slides should include a few short sentences and a photo. Finally, the presentation should end with a slide that lists the student's source. This slide should include the name and author of the book.

Give students time to read their books, take notes, and create their presentations. Then, have students take turns showing their presentations to the class.



Evaluation

Use the following system to give each student up to 18 points for the presentation:

- 1 point for having the correct number of slides
- 1 point for each of the 8 questions answered with accurate information
- 1 point for each of those 8 answers that uses complete sentences
- 1 point for including images with their slides