



# #30 DAYS FOR ANIMALS

## DAY 1 MAKE A FUN ANIMAL MASK

Can you create a face-sized mask that looks like your favourite animal? You will need: paper, card, string or elastic, glue, colouring pens, pencils or paints, and any other materials you could stick on. What creature will yours be?



## DAY 2 DESIGN OUR UNIFORM

Let's give the RSPCA rescuers a new-look uniform. Can you draw something practical and safe for all the tricky tasks they have to do – but fun to wear, too?



## DAY 3 ON THE RIGHT TRACKS

Find out what different animal and bird footprints look like and use them to create a pattern, puzzle or quiz to share with your friends.



## DAY 4 BE AN ECO SUPERHERO

Can you think of 10 new uses for items in your recycling bin? Maybe those loo roll centres could be toys for your hamster or gerbil? Egg boxes are great for sowing seeds in. And plastic milk cartons make good hanging bird feeders.



## DAY 5



### MAKE SOCK PUPPETS

Got an odd sock or a pair with holes? Don't throw them away! Get crafty with wool, buttons and scraps of material and transform them into 'sock monsters'.



## DAY 6 GET SNAPPING

It's launch day for our Young Photographer Awards! #RSPCAYoungPhotographers Can you take a prize-winning animal picture in your home, garden or out on a walk? Visit: [young.rspca.org.uk/ypan](http://young.rspca.org.uk/ypan) to enter.



## DAY 7



### PRACTISE KINDNESS

What can you do today that will help at least one animal? How many acts of kindness can you perform by the end of the day? Keep a list and see how it makes you feel.



## DAY 8 DESIGN A FUN REHOMING POSTER

Can you create a poster for an RSPCA rehoming centre? How would you persuade people to 'adopt not shop' and give one of our adorable animals a forever home?



## DAY 9 ANIMAL ALPHABET

Can you think of a different creature for every letter from A to Z? If that's too easy, see how many you can think of for each letter.



## DAY 10



### MINIBEAST MASH-UP!

Imagine a new insect made up of all the best bits of other minibeasts. What would it look like? How might it behave? What would it be called? Bring your creation to life in a story, poem or picture.

## DAY 11 SHADY CREATURE

Put your favourite animal toy on a piece of paper in the sun. Draw around its shadow and colour it in, to create an animal silhouette. You could even try this with your pet – but will they keep still for long enough?



## DAY 12 MAKE AN ANIMAL PLAYLIST

How many songs can you think of with animals or wildlife in them? Write a list or make a playlist online to stream. How about performing one of the songs to your family?



## DAY 13



### BE BATTY ABOUT BATS

Did you know bats aren't actually blind? And they're the only mammals capable of 'true' flight. Do some research and see if you can come up with five more bat facts.

## DAY 14 BE A LITTER CAMPAIGNER

Every year the RSPCA receives about 5,000 calls about animals who've been harmed by litter. From plastic bags to broken glass or fishing nets, rubbish not disposed of safely is a real danger. Design a poster to make people think twice before leaving litter.

## DAY 15 CREATE A WORDSEARCH

Choose your favourite animal, say a dog, then research 10 different breeds (or think of 10 names of famous or fictional dogs). Use them to create a wordsearch puzzle, then ask friends and family if they can solve it.



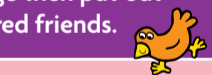
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CHOOSE YOUR ANIMAL CAREER Fancy being a vet? An RSPCA animal rescuer? Maybe a police dog handler or a horse's groom? Write a list of all the jobs you can think of that involve working with our animal friends.

## DAY 17 MAKE FAT BALLS FOR THE BIRDS

Birds still need food in summer, when dry ground makes worms hard to find. Mix equal parts birdseed and suet, then knead into balls or press into cookie cutters, making a hole for string. Chill in the fridge then put out for your feathered friends.



## DAY 18 STOP! GRAMMAR TIME!

A collective noun is the name you give to a group of the same animals. Some of them are really funny – like a cackle of hyenas, a stench of skunks, or a crash of rhinos. See how many more collective nouns you can find out. Or try inventing your own.

## DAY 19 BE A SMALL-FLOOF SLEUTH

Find out as much as you can about your favourite small furry animal. Present your findings in a fun way – maybe a PowerPoint guide to guinea pigs, a cartoon about chinchillas or a video on voles.



## DAY 20 FEED THE BUTTERFLIES

As well as having lots of colourful, nectar-rich flowers in your garden, you can dissolve 1tbsp sugar in 8tbsp warm water, soak a brightly coloured cloth in it, and put it near some flowers for butterflies to find and feed on. Can you identify the species that visit?



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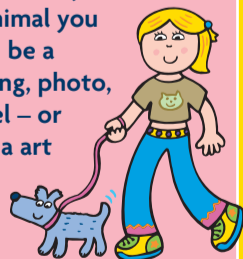


### WRITE A GRATITUDE LIST

Can you find five reasons to be thankful to animals? Maybe you're grateful your granny has her cat to keep her company? Or perhaps you're thankful for all the guide dogs and hearing dogs who help people?

## DAY 22 GET ARTY

Create a portrait of your pet (or any animal you love). It could be a sketch, painting, photo, collage, model – or a mixed-media art extravaganza!



## DAY 23 GREAT BIRDY BAKE OFF

Make some bird's nest cakes by crumbling Shredded Wheat or cornflakes into a melted blend of chocolate and golden syrup. Divide this between paper cake cases. Add a few Mini Eggs or Smarties to the top of each nest. Set in the fridge, share with your family!

## DAY 24 EGG BOX CHALLENGE

See what critters you can model using an egg box. You can cut it up if you like and use paints, glue and other materials. Will yours be a spider? A ladybird? A caterpillar? Or maybe an insect menagerie!



## DAY 25 MAKE A SCENT TRAIL FOR YOUR DOG

Treat time will be more interesting for Fido if he has to work for it. Hide bits of kibble, tasty morsels or his favourite toys all around your home and garden for him to sniff out and enjoy.



## DAY 26



### MAKE A KITTY CASTLE

What do cats love? Boxes! Take one large and one smaller box. Decorate them with brick patterns and ask a grown-up to cut a door and windows. Stick the smaller box on top with a hole to connect them and form your very own feline fortress.

## DAY 27 DO A WILD WORKOUT

Choose an exercise for each letter of the alphabet (A = squats, B = jogging on the spot, C = star jumps). Spell out your fave animal and do the workout, 30 seconds per exercise. Extra points for animal themed exercises (bear crawls, downward dog, frog jumps).

## DAY 28



### PLAY GARDEN BINGO

Draw a grid of nine squares and write or draw a different garden creature in each. How long will it take you to spot a line or a full house? Challenge other members of your family to do the same and play along with you.

## DAY 29 TEACHER'S PETS

Create a maths worksheet based around animals. It could be addition and subtraction based on number of legs, say (two spiders + four elephants = 32). Swap worksheets online with a friend who's also doing this challenge. Can you solve each other's sums?

## DAY 30



### HOW MUCH OF A BOOKWORM ARE YOU?

Write a list of your favourite books that feature animals – can you think of 10 or more? Write a book review about the one you enjoyed the most.