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Zoo Study Species: _____



boxes below to design a study to help you find out why it behaves the way it does? I want to find out: I would measure: I would do this by: I expect to find:

How could you find out more about the behaviour of your research animal? Fill out the

3.



Research your chosen species and fill out the headings in the form below.

Use a stopwatch and tick the behaviours observed at 30s intervals.

Other relevant information (e.g. number of visitors, feeding time, keeper presence):

Time:

Date:

Name of observers:

Weather:

Study animal (identifying features):

Study Species:

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	, play, groom)	Other (describe)																					
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1. What were the most frequent behaviours you observed for this animal?
2. Why you think the animal behaved in this way? Was there a change in behaviour over time?
3. How do you think this behaviour would help the animal to survive in the wild?
4. How does this behaviour compare to other species you or your classmates observed during the Zoo visit? Why?
5. How reliable do you think your results are? Was the method used appropriate for this study?
6. If you could repeat the observation again, how would you do it differently?
7. If you wanted to extend the study to find out more about the behaviour of this animal, how could you do this? How could this help with the care of animals in Zoos or their conservation in the wild?
Back at school: Use your results to create a time budget pie chart for the individual animal you observed and compare this to different individuals of the same species. Can you also collate all the class data for this particular species and compare it to the class data for a different animal?