

INTRODUCTION TO ANIMALS

Arlon, Penelope. *DK First Animal Encyclopedia*. New York: DK Publishing, Inc., 2004. Fabulous photographs and facts made accessible to young readers.

Bailey, Jacqui. *Amazing Animal Facts*. New York: DK Publishing, 2003. The biggest, smallest and weirdest animals are all featured here.

Brandenberg, Aliko. *My Visit to the Zoo*. New York: HarperCollins, 1997.

Next best thing to a trip to the zoo. Weaves first person narrative with animal facts and inviting illustrations modeled after exemplary zoos.

Burnie, David and Gamlin, Linda. *The Kingfisher Encyclopedia of Animals*. New York: Kingfisher Publications Plc, 1995. In addition to A to Z entries, it has layouts of various habitats (tundra, rain forests, deciduous forests, etc.).

Burnie, David et al. *DK Nature Encyclopedia*. New York: DK Publishing, Inc., 1998.

Valuable resource, including ecology, how living things work, classification, and plants in addition to animals.

Butterfield, Moira. *1000 Facts About Wild Animals*. Scholastic, Inc., 1994.

Find facts about mammals, insects, fish, reptiles, birds, amphibians, and endangered species.

Few, Roger. *Simon & Schuster Animal Encyclopedia for Children*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 1991. Features overviews of each section – including Ice Caps & Tundra, Woodlands, Grasslands, Deserts and Tropical Forests.

Hanly, Sheila. *The Big Book of Animals*. New York: DK Publishing, 1997. Inviting non-fiction highlighting over 350 animals in their habitats.

Hawksley, Lucinda. *Endangered Animals*. Bath: Parragon Publishing, 2000. Affordable non-fiction in an appealing Q&A format.

Johnson, Jinny. *National Geographic Animal Encyclopedia*. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic Society, 1999. In-depth guide to the animal kingdom, including taxonomy and related species.

Parker, Steve and Walters, Martin. *Animal Kingdom*. New York: Backpack Books, 2007. Detailed illustrations (rather than photographs) featuring multiple subspecies within a species.

Pope, Joyce. *Reptiles*. Bath: Parragon Publishing, 2000.

Affordable non-fiction in a kid-friendly Q&A format.

Sonntag, Linda. *The Atlas of Animals*. Brookfield, Connecticut: Copper Beech Books, 2000.

Valuable overviews for each habitat

Taylor, Barbara. *Animal Giants*. Boston: Kingfisher Publications Plc, 2004.

Fascinating compilation of facts dedicated to the largest members of the animal kingdom.

Walters, Martin and Johnson, Jinny. *Animals of the World*. New York: Barnes & Noble Books, 2002.

An excellent resource packed with facts and grouped by related species (e.g. flightless birds – ostriches, emus, cassowaries, rheas).