## ANIMAL CLUE GAME

## **KS2**

Aim: For children to gain understanding of animals characteristics and to mingle with each other.

Key Messages: The game should be fun!

**Preparation:** Photocopy tables, cut out individual clues and laminate if possible.

Equipment: Animal clue cards

Restrictions: None.

**Teacher Notes:** Each of the four animals below has 10 clues. To play, shuffle the cards and handout one or two cards to each child. It doesn't matter if they have the clues for more than one animal. Ask some children to read their cards out loud to the group. The reader and the group should then suggest names of animals which relate to the clues. If someone suggests 'snake'! Ask all those children who think their clue is related to a snake to get together and so on for each animal. Guide the children into the groups by asking for another clue to be read out loud to determine if their guess is correct.

It could take some time, so if the children are struggling tell them the names of the animals and then for them to find all the people who have all the other clues. At the end there should be four groups and they can read out their most interesting clues.

## Further/Alternative study:

• To simplify the game tell the children the animals and ask them to group the clues

• Create further clues for other animals. Ask the children to think of some!

I AM A FROG	I AM A SPIDER
I AM A BUTTERFLY	I AM A GRASS SNAKE

I AM ABLE TO BREATHE THROUGH MY MOIST SKIN	THE MALES SING TO THE FEMALES. BOTH DON'T LOOK AFTER THEIR YOUNG	I HAVE FOUR LEGS, TWO EYES AND A BACK BONE
I AM GREEN AND LIVE IN AND OUT OF WATER	I USE GILLS TO BREATHE WHEN I AM YOUNG	I CATCH INSECTS WITH MY STICKY TONGUE
I AM COLD BLOODED BUT I DON'T LIKE TO LAY IN THE SUN	I LAY MY EGGS (SPAWN) IN WATER	I HIBERNATE IN MUD AND IN DAMP PLACES
I CAN LEAP		I EAT LOTS OF INSECTS, PROTECTING PLANTS FROM DISEASE
I AM A CREEPY CRAWLEY	I HAVE EIGHT EYES	I HAVE EIGHT LEGS
I HAVE POISONOUS FANGS TO PARALYSE MY PREY	I SPIN MY OWN SILK TO CONSTRUCT WEBS, EGG COCOONS AND TO WRAP UP PREY	WHEN I AM BORN I LOOK JUST LIKE MY MUM AND DAD
I DON'T HAVE WINGS OR ANTENNAE	THERE ARE 50,000 SPECIES OF MY KIND IN THE WORLD	I AM USUALLY BROWN, GREY OR BLACK

I USE A PROBOSCIS (TUBE) TO FEED ON NECTAR	I AM OFTEN VERY COLOURFUL	I HAVE WINGS
I LAY MY EGGS ON PLANTS	I USE COLOUR TO PROTECT MYSELF	MY WINGS ARE COVERED IN SCALES
I FLY IN THE DAY	SOME OF US HIBERNATE, OTHERS MIGRATE	WE COME IN ALL DIFFERENT COLOURS
I HAVE CLUBBED ANTENNAE		I AM COLD BLOODED AND USE THE SUN TO WARM UP
I CHANGE MY SKIN BY MOULTING	I HAVE TWO EYES AND I USE MY TONGUE TO SMELL	I AM OLIVE-GREY TO BROWN WITH A YELLOW COLLAR
I HAVE POISONOUS FANGS TO PARALYSE MY PREY	I AM ACTIVE BUT I RETREAT FROM DANGER	I AM THE ONLY ONE OF MY SPECIES WHICH LAYS EGGS
!	I EAT FROGS, TOADS AND NEWTS AND SOMETIMES SMALL MAMMALS	!