



## (COOL) FUN AT HOME : DAY 10

# ANIMAL SAFARI



### EXPLORE OUTSIDE

**BACKYARD SAFARI:** Grab those plastic toy animals you have lying around and 'hide' them in the backyard. Dig out the binoculars and explorer vests/hats. Then send your kids on a backyard safari! Let them take an iPad or phone to take photos of the animals in their 'live habitat.' Need a challenge for older kids? Have them create a map of animal hiding spots for the younger kids to use.

### LEARN

**VIRTUAL ZOO TRIP:** So many zoos are offering FREE virtual zoo experiences via Facebook Live. Join **The Maryland Zoo** weekdays at 11 AM for a "Zoo To You" session. **Cleveland Metroparks Zoo** is also offering daily virtual classroom fun!

**ANIMAL GAMES:** PBSKids has a ton of animal educational games online. Did we mention they're free?

### CREATIVITY CHALLENGE

**ANIMAL PAPER TOWEL ROLL CHALLENGE:** We know that everyone probably has some paper towel and toilet paper rolls lying around the house. Give them to your child and challenge them to make an animal out of it! Need some inspiration? Check out these ideas from Frugal Fun for Boys!

### MOVE

**ANIMAL CHARADES:** GET WILD with a game of animal charades! Act out your favorite animals - silently - while the rest of your gang has to figure out what you are. Download these free printable cards from Buggy and Buddy to get started!

**ANIMAL EXERCISES:** Keep the kids moving, fit and having fun with these hilarious animal exercises from Hello, Wonderful!

## WEB CAM FUN

### ANIMALS LIVE!

If your wild bunch just can't get enough of the animals, be sure to check out **The Maryland Zoo's** live cams featuring penguins, lions, giraffes, flamingos, and their popular goat corral! While you are at it, virtually visit with **The Smithsonian National Zoo**, too!

## ANIMAL TALES

### BACKYARD PET?

Have your child select one of the animals from your backyard safari to write a story about. What would happen if that animal actually showed up in your backyard one day?! How would your child care for it? Have fun with this one! Don't forget illustrations.

