

# Learn by Doing

**Choice**

## Animal Antics and Creation Review

The Lord created so many wonderful animals! Children love imitating animal noises and gestures since they resonate with their emerging feelings. Children will choose a stuffed animal or animal picture to share and name, and for the group to imitate. Finish by singing the *7 Days of Creation* song. Review days 1-6 with an online sing-along video.



1. Seat children in a circle. Place a basket containing a variety of stuffed animals OR *Animal Pictures*, pp. 2-3, in the center of the circle.
2. Invite each child to come forward, one at a time, and choose an animal from the basket. Show the animal to everyone. Ask each child to name their chosen animal—just as Adam named the animals (Genesis 2:20).
3. What noise does (this animal) make? What makes it special? Where does it live? (where we live, jungle, desert, water, hot, cold, etc.)
4. Let's move like (this animal)! (Choose whether children will move in place as they sit or get up and move around.)
5. When everyone has had a turn choosing an animal, make a "Zoo". Each child can choose a favorite animal and stand in their own space to act like that animal. The teacher can visit the "Zoo" and see all the animals!
6. *Optional:* Have an Animal Cracker snack!
7. Sit in a circle and review the 7 days of creation. Watch the *7 Days of Creation* song and sing along. Repeat several times until children are comfortable with the different days. Hold up fingers for each day as you sing.

**Materials for Each Child**  
a stuffed animal or an *Animal Picture* from pp. 2-3

*optional:* buy Animal Crackers and have an animal cracker snack! Find a fun song to play while acting out the Zoo.

### Prepare in Advance

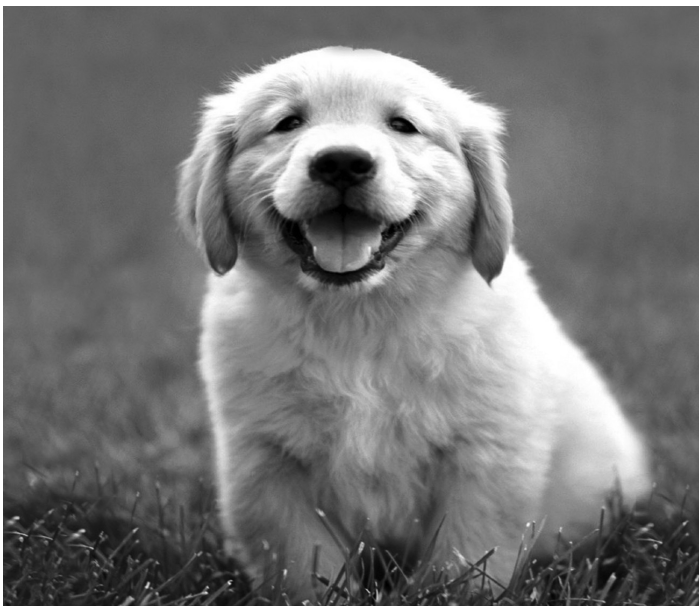
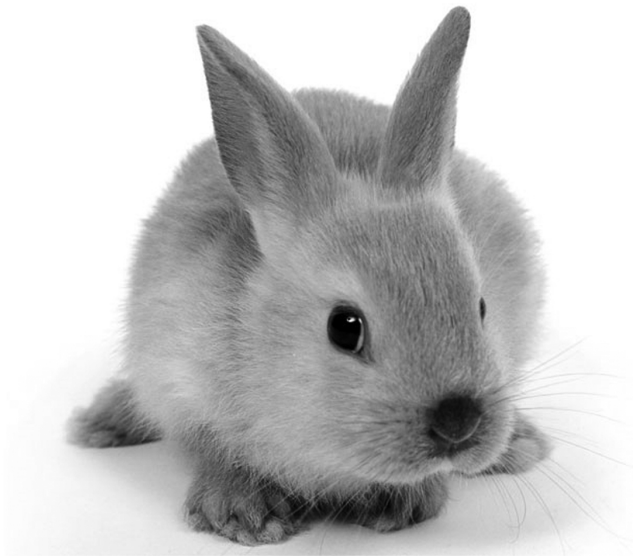
If using the animal pictures instead of stuffed animals, print pp. 2, 3 and cut apart.

### 7 Days of Creation Song Video

Watch at <https://www.newchurchvineyard.org/resource/video-7-days-of-creation-song/>







Animal Pictures