Animals 101 & Denver Zoo Field Trip

Syllabus

First Universalist Church 4101 E Hampden Avenue
Wednesday 9:30-11:30 am First Five weeks of Term
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Each week includes amazing, informative, and even funny videos you won’t want to miss!

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| Apr 3 | Ecosystems and Biomes  
  - what are they  
  - where are they in the world  
  - what are the differences between deserts, rainforests, tundra, and riparian  |
|       | Classification of Animals  
  - what does KPCOFGS mean  |
|       | Endangered Species Classification  
  - what is the difference between endangered vs threatened and the other categories  |
|       | Reptiles and Amphibians  
  - what are the characteristics of Reptiles and Amphibians  
  - what advantages are there to being cold-blooded  
  - everything you want to know about the differences between Reptiles and Amphibians |

| Apr 10 | The Exciting World of Mammals  
  - what are the characteristics that make a mammal a mammal  
  - an in-depth look at various mammals, including Primates, Big Cats vs Small Cats, the Family of Canidae, and the group called Ungulates |

| Apr 17 | It’s All About Birds  
  - what makes a bird a bird and why are the feathers and wings so important  
  - why are there so many different types of birds’ beaks and feet and what do they tell us  
  - what is the difference between a bird song and a bird call  
  - why do birds do all those funny (to us!) dances during mating season |

| Apr 24 | Fantastic Fish Facts  
  - what makes a fish a fish and their body parts, what do their tails and mouths tell us about them  
  - why are fish different colors and what defenses do they have  
  - how do fish hatcheries operate here in Colorado  
  - Colorado Animals and Biomes  
  - what are the biomes of Colorado from East to West and who are the animals that live there |

| May 1  | Denver Zoo Field Trip - Arrive at Zoo at 9 a.m. and conclude tour by Noon; More details to follow |