

# Build a Habitat for your Stuffie!



## Essential Question:

What do animals need to survive in their habitats?

## Objective:

Students will make a habitat for a stuffed animal, making sure it has all that it needs to survive.

## Background:

The animals in National Parks depend on their habitats to survive. Some live in the forest, while others call the pond their home. Wherever the habitat may be, they all provide four main types of things the wildlife need to survive: food, water, shelter, and space!

## Materials:

- Stuffed animal
- Various optional household items (Check with adults first to see if it's OK to use):
  - Pillows
  - Blankets
  - Building blocks
  - Toys
  - Legos
  - Be creative!

## Procedure:

Find one of your favorite stuffies! Make a list of what your stuffie needs to survive if it was alive. Remember – food, water, shelter, space!

Gather household items to build a habitat around your stuffie. Ask your adults first to make sure you can use these items. Be creative and use your imagination.

Example: This rainbow llama drinks from the blue blanket waterfall, hides in the block shelter, eats long colorful insects & leaves from little box trees, and enjoys to walk around the space of the pillow mountain range.



## Conclusion and Assessment:

Draw and/or take pictures your stuffie in its habitat, making sure you show all the different parts of the habitat.

Take someone on a tour of your habitat and explain all the ways your stuffie finds what it needs.