

Nocturnal Creatures Primary Resource

This primary resource introduces pupils to four different nocturnal animals – the slow loris, western tarsier, binturong and fireflies. Discover fascinating facts and information about these incredible creatures. What secret weapon does the slow loris have up its sleeve? What makes the binturong a one-of-a-kind species? Why do fireflies light up at night?

Join NG KiDS on an adventure through the jungles of Borneo in this Animals primary resource. Filled with fab photos and information, children will learn about the unique adaptations and survival skills of night-time wildlife.

The teaching resource can be used in study group tasks and discussions about nocturnal creatures and animal adaptations. It's also a great way to introduce pupils to different kinds of exotic wildlife. The resource can be used as a printed handout for each pupil to review and annotate, or for display on the interactive whiteboard for class discussion.

Activity:

Get the children to draw a night-time jungle scene featuring the different animals on the primary resource. They should show and label/explain the special adaptations of each creature – e.g. the western tarsier's huge eyes, the binturong's prehensile tail etc. Alternatively, older pupils could choose one of the animals on the resource and create a detailed poster, featuring facts and information gathered from their own research.

Pupils could also discuss and/or research other nocturnal animals, too – perhaps animals that live closer to home. Have they spotted any nocturnal animals living in the world around them? How have they adapted to life at night? How do they compare and contrast to the wildlife included in our primary resource?