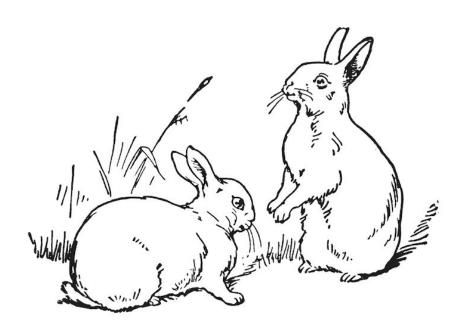
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HOW TO GET OUTSIDE AND USE A NATURE JOURNAL

MAMMALS



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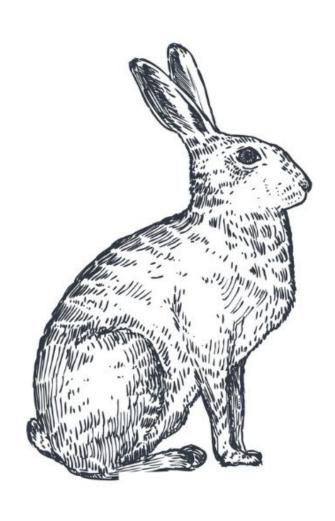
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Cottontail Rabbit

Latin: Sylvilagus



Cottontail Rabbit | Lesson 3

Supply List:

- 1. Nature Journal
- 2. Pencil and eraser
- 3. Nature Study Hacking Mammals booklet

Step 1: In your Nature Journal, draw a picture of a Cottontail Rabbit. Take your time and see that you look carefully at where the ears and eyes are positioned. How does this help the rabbit?

Step 2: Copy the common name and Latin name neatly onto the top of the page.

Younger Students: Drawing is preferred at this age. Focus on neatness.

Older Students: Writing and drawing can be used together. Focus on getting the details correct.

Note: When trying to get the proportions correct, turn your picture upside down to help get your drawing more symmetrical.

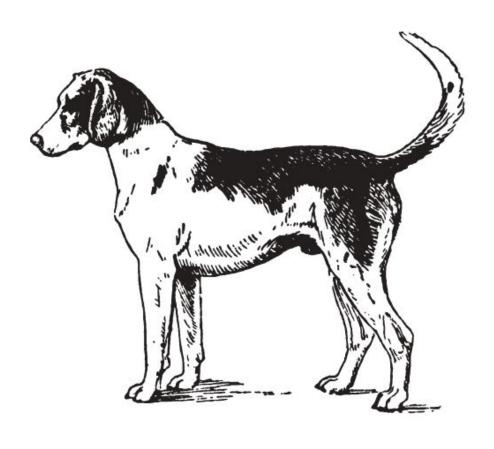
Tree Squirrel

Latin: Sciurus



Dog

Latin: Canis lupus familiaris



Dog Lesson 15

Supply List:

- 1. Nature Journal
- 2. Pencil and eraser
- 3. Nature Study Hacking Mammals booklet

Step 1: In your Nature Journal, draw a picture of a dog. Take your time and see that you look carefully at where the ears, eyes and legs are positioned. How does the dog use these? (See diagram on next page for an example to copy into your Nature Journal.)

Step 2: Copy the common name and Latin name neatly onto the top of the page.

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Poems about Mammals

Little Pussy

by Jane Taylor

I like little pussy, her coat is so warm; And if I don't hurt her, she'll do me no harm.

So I'll not pull her tail, nor drive her away, But Pussy and I very gently will play.

She shall sit by my side, and I'll give her some food; And she'll love me because I am gentle and good.

I'll pat little Pussy, and then she will purr; And thus show her thanks for my kindness to her.

I'll not pinch her ears, nor tread on her paw, Lest I should provoke her to use her sharp claw.

I never will vex her, nor make her displeased--For Pussy can't bear to be worried or teased.

Squirrel Poem

By Anonymous

Just a tawny glimmer, a dash of red and gray,
Was it a flitting shadow,, or a sunbeam gone astray/
It glances up a tree trunk, and a pair of bright eyes glow
Where a little spy in ambush is measuring his foe.
I hear a mocking chuckle, then wrathful, he grows bold
And stays his pressing business to scold and scold and
scold.

At The Zoo

by William Makepeace Thackeray

First I saw the white bear, then I saw the black;
Then I saw the camel with a hump upon his back;
Then I saw the grey wolf, with mutton in his maw;
Then I saw the wombat waddle in the straw;
Then I saw the elephant a-waving of his trunk;
Then I saw the monkeys--mercy, how unpleasantly they smelt!

To a Mouse

By Robert Burns

On Turning up in Her Nest with the Plough, November, 1785

Wee, sleeket, cowran, tim'rous beastie,
O, what a panic's in thy breastie!
Thou need na start awa sae hasty,
Wi' bickerin brattle!
I wad be laith to rin an' chase thee
Wi' murd'ring pattle!

I'm truly sorry Man's dominion
Has broken Nature's social union,
An' justifies that ill opinion,
Which makes thee startle,
At me, thy poor, earth-born companion,
An' fellow-mortal!

I doubt na, whyles, but thou may thieve;
What then? poor beastie, thou maun live!
A daimen-icker in a thrave
'S a sma' request:
I'll get a blessin wi' the lave,
An' never miss 't!

Thy wee-bit housie, too, in ruin!
It's silly wa's the win's are strewin!
An' naething, now, to big a new ane,
O' foggage green!
An' bleak December's winds ensuin,
Baith snell an' keen!

Thou saw the fields laid bare an' waste,
An' weary Winter comin fast,
An' cozie here, beneath the blast,
Thou thought to dwell,
Till crash! the cruel coulter past
Out thro' thy cell.

That wee-bit heap o' leaves an' stibble
Has cost thee monie a weary nibble!
Now thou's turn'd out, for a' thy trouble,
But house or hald,
To thole the Winter's sleety dribble,
An' cranreuch cauld!

But Mousie, thou art no thy-lane,
In proving foresight may be vain:
The best laid schemes o' Mice an' Men
Gang aft agley,
An' lea'e us nought but grief an' pain,
For promis'd joy!

Still, thou art blest, compar'd wi' me!
The present only toucheth thee:
But Och! I backward cast my e'e,
On prospects drear!
An' forward tho' I canna see,
I guess an' fear!

Wild Beasts

by Evaleen Stein

I will be a lion
And you shall be a bear,
And each of us will have a den
Beneath a nursery chair;
And you must growl and growl and growl,
And I will roar and roar,
And then--why, then--you'll growl again,
And I will roar some more!