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BOOKS TO GROW

Kit Theme: **Zoo Animals**

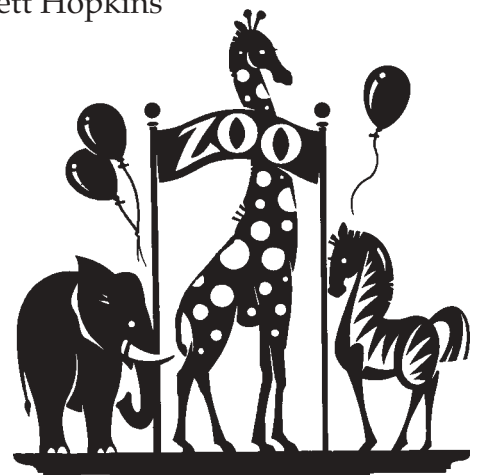
- Book titles included:
 1. **MY CAMERA AT THE ZOO** by Janet Marshall
 2. **SAM WHO NEVER FORGETS** by Eve Rice
 3. **I'M IN THE ZOO, TOO** by Brent Ashabranner
 4. **CHILDREN'S ZOO** by Tana Hoban
 5. **IF I RAN THE ZOO** by Dr. Seuss
- Video:

SAN DIEGO ZOO
- Audio:

ZOO ANIMALS

Additional titles available at the Johnson County Library:

BLIZZARD AT THE ZOO by Robert Bahr
CAN YOU HEAR ME, GRANDAD? by Pat Thomson
I SPY AT THE ZOO by Maureen Roffey
IF ANYTHING EVER GOES WRONG AT THE ZOO by Mary Jean Hendrick
LEO AND EMILY'S ZOO by Franz Brandenburg
TO THE ZOO: ANIMAL POEMS selected by Lee Bennett Hopkins
WHEN WE WENT TO THE ZOO by Jan Ormerod
ZOO by Gail Gibbons
ZOODLES by Bernard Most
ZOO SONG by Barbara Bottner



Activity Ideas – Zoo Animals

- Have children bring their favorite stuffed animal. With building blocks, make a zoo for the animals.
- Cut pictures of animals from magazines. Talk about whether they're pet, farm or zoo animals.
- How do the zoo animals sound? How do they move?
- Sing to the tune of "Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush," and act out the words:

Let's go to the zoo today
Zoo today, zoo today
Let's go to the zoo today
What animals will we see?

This is the way the kangaroos jump . . .
Chasing one another.

This is the way the tiger prowls . . .
Sneaking through the grasses.

This is the way the monkey climbs . . .
Looking for adventure.

The big old snake slithers along . . .
Looking for some dinner.

(From *Everybody Has a Body*)

ELEPHANT'S TRUNK

The elephant has a great big trunk (*Pretend an arm is the trunk.*)

That goes swinging, swinging so. (*Swing trunk.*)

He has tiny, tiny eyes that show him where to go. (*Point to eyes.*)

His huge long ears go flapping, flapping up & down, (*Pretend hands are ears.*)

His great feet go stomping, stomping on the ground. (*Stomp with feet.*)

(From *Finger Frolics*)

TO THE ZOO

I'm going to the zoo
with you
with you.

I'll try to stalk a lion
and ride a kangaroo.

Then I'll climb a tall giraffe
and laugh

And laugh and laugh
and LAUGH!

When I've had enough of zoo
I'll leave it and go home
with you, with you, with you.

(Lee Bennett Hopkins in *To The Zoo: Animal Poems*)

AT THE ZOO

I've been to the zoo
where the thing that you do
is watching the things
that the animals do –
and watching
the animals
all watching
you!

(Myra Cohn Livingston
in *To The Zoo: Animal Poems*)



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