

Vacation Adventures: 15 Weekly Themes + daily themes

1. Wildlife of the World – A look at animals from around the globe and how humans have incorporated them into culture through art, music, food and crafts.

Monday: Visit to Asia

Tuesday: The land down under: Australia

Wednesday: African Safari

Thursday: South American tour

Friday: Hawaii holo holo

2. Dinner or Diner (Food Web) – What special adaptations do animals have to catch their dinner, or to keep from becoming dinner and how the food web connects every living thing on the planet.

Monday: Herbivores

Tuesday: Carnivores

Wednesday: Omnivores

Thursday: Zoo-ivores (what zoo animals eat)

Friday: What-are-you-ivores (what humans eat around the world)

3. Kids for conservation – By thinking globally and acting locally, we can work together to Malama I Ka ‘Aina, take care of the Earth.

Monday: Green Classroom Pledge

Tuesday: Protect our Natural Resources

Wednesday: Saving Wildlife and Wild Places

Thursday: Be a Green Warrior

Friday: Kids Can Too

4. The Most Extreme - Who is the smallest reptile, the largest bird or the most endangered animal on the planet? We'll explore extreme climates, animals and habitats from around the world.

Monday: Extreme Birds

Tuesday: Extreme Mammals

Wednesday: Extreme Climates & Habitats

Thursday: Extreme Reptiles

Friday: Extreme Endangered Species

5. Movin' and Groovin' (Locomotion) – A look at how animals move through their environment and the techniques they use to find food, shelter and each other.

Monday: 4 legs, 2 legs, no legs

Tuesday: I can fly!

Wednesday: Jumpers

Thursday: Water Lovers

Friday: Tree Dwellers

6. Home is Where the Heart is (Habitats) - Animals and plants adapt to their environment. This week we'll take a journey through the habitats at the zoo and take a look at our special inhabitants.

Monday: Savanna / Grasslands

Tuesday: Jungle / Forests

Wednesday: Deserts

Thursday: Wetlands

Friday: Islands

7. No Business Like Zoo Business – It takes a small village to successfully manage an accredited zoo. We'll meet different workers, delve into zoo design and contribute to animal welfare and enrichment.

Monday: Jobs around the zoo

Tuesday: A day in the life of a Zookeeper

Wednesday: Zoo design

Thursday: Animal Health Care

Friday: Enrichment and Training

8. I Will Survive (Adaptations) – We'll investigate many remarkable adaptations like color, size and locomotion that animals use in their day to day lives.

Monday: Remarkable reptiles

Tuesday: Brilliant birds

Wednesday: Marvelous mammals

Thursday: Endearing endangered species

Friday: Astonishing adaptations to zoo life

9. Man vs. Wild (How Humans Affect Wildlife and Habitat) – Humans have contributed to the loss of wild places and animals worldwide. We'll examine the cause and effects of human interference and consider ways to stop and reverse our behaviors both at home and world-wide.

Monday: Habitat loss

Tuesday: Wild animal pet trade

Wednesday: Pollution

Thursday: Black market trade

Friday: Conservation starts at home

10. Look Who's Talking: Animal Communication – Language is more than using your voice and animals have perfected the art of communication by using colors, body language, movement and presentation. We'll observe and explore the way our zoo animals talk story with each other and with us.

Monday: The language of reptiles

Tuesday: The language of mammals

Wednesday: The language of birds

Thursday: The language of love

Friday: The language of the Earth

11. Our World in Danger – Why are some animals recovering and being taken off the Endangered Species List while others are declining and be added to the list? We'll look into reasons why and what we can do to help endangered animals and habitats in our own backyard and around the world.

Monday: Mammals in danger

Tuesday: Birds in danger

Wednesday: Habitat in danger

Thursday: Reptiles in danger

Friday: Hawaii in danger

12. Jr. Field Researcher – Learn some of the skills and methods of research needed to observe animals and their behaviors in the zoo and in the wild. Students will choose an animal for research and present a poster at the end for the week.

Monday: The Scientific method of research

Tuesday: Observation Skills

Wednesday: Animal Behavior

Thursday: Field Research in the Zoo

Friday: Poster Presentations

13. **Animals Make Sense** – This week will look at the five senses in a whole new way as we observe the world through the eyes, ears, nose, mouth and touch of the animal kingdom.

Monday: The eyes have it

Tuesday: Ears to you

Wednesday: Tastes good to me

Thursday: The magic touch

Friday: Smell ya later

14. **Make Every Day Earth Day** – Kids can affect change both locally and globally. We'll give them some tools and brainstorm for ideas to help make a difference in their community through positive action steps.

Monday: Roll your r's: reduce, reuse, recycle

Tuesday: Cleaning up your neighborhood act

Wednesday: Write about doing the right thing

Thursday: It's the little things....

Friday: Share your passion: educate a friend

15. **Animal Enrichment: Make Someone Happy** – Our zoo inhabitants live longer, healthier lives thanks to advancements in enrichment activities and behavioral training. Students will observe and participate in some fun and enriching opportunities to help keep our animals happy and healthy.

Monday: Principals of enrichment

Tuesday: Mammal enrichment

Wednesday: Bird enrichment

Thursday: Reptile enrichment

Friday: Kid enrichment