

Theme: Zoo Animals

Hippo

Action Song: 5 cheeky monkeys

Action Poem: 100 animals

Suggested stories: The hippo hop/ Christine Loomis
Kiss Kiss! / Margaret Wild & Bridget Strevens-Marzo.



Outline:

1. Discuss posters of zoo animals. Highlight the Hippos.
2. Discuss the noises animals make.
3. Sing 5 cheeky monkeys
4. Read story
5. Hand out copies of poem 100 Animals
6. Say the poem, doing appropriate actions
7. Read story

Optional craft

1. Hand out stencil.
2. Colour the hippo head and body BEFORE cutting it out
3. Glue body onto paper bag, making sure feet of hippo are near open end of bag.
4. Glue head on bag, overlapping slightly with body.

Items needed

1 copy per child of hippo stencils
1 paper bag per child

Scissors
Pencils/crayons
glue