

Endangered Animal Project Rubric

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***Title Page - Include your name & animal
researched***

Natural Habitat / Distribution

Include relevant information & pictures for your animal's natural habitat and distribution (map)

- *What does their natural habitat look like: Terrestrial biome? Marine biome? Freshwater biome? Wetland? Etc*
- *Does their historic distribution match their current distribution?*

1-3 slides based on images & info

- *remember to size things appropriately so we can see/ read slides as an audience*

Physical Characteristics

Include relevant information & pictures for your animal's physical characteristics

- *Notate if their characteristics or camouflage patterns change from youth to adulthood or life stages (amphibians)*
- *Size, average lifespan, etc.*

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Unique Adaptations

Include relevant information & pictures for your animal's unique adaptations or behavioral characteristics

- *Notate how adaptation increases their chance for survival within their natural habitat/ ecosystem/ biome*
- *Do they have any symbiotic relationships? Are they a keystone species? Apex predator? Indicator species? etc*

1-3 slides based on images & info

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Niche / Ecosystem Services

Include relevant information & pictures for your animal's niche within its ecosystem & any ecosystem services it may provide or contribute to

- *Notate how the niche benefits the health of its ecosystem. Use vocab such as autotroph, primary/secondary/tertiary consumer, etc.*
- *What consequences occur when this animal's niche is no longer filled due to dwindling populations?*

1-3 slides based on images & info

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Conservation Status

Include relevant information & pictures for your animal's conservation status on the threatened or endangered species list

- *Notate the year it was placed on the list*

1-3 slides based on images & info

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Main Source of Habitat Loss

Include relevant information & pictures for the main source of your animal's habitat loss

- *Use relevant vocab such as deforestation, desertification, urbanization/ urban sprawl, overhunting, overfishing, dams, border wall, etc. where appropriate*

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Current Conservation Efforts

Include relevant information & pictures for current conservation efforts to restore your animal's wild population

- *Name at least one facility or organization working to preserve and restore your animal's wild population or its habitat*
- *List ways individuals can help with local conservation efforts*

1-3 slides based on images & info

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Sources

Include sources used in APA format with website URL

1+ slide based on # of sources

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