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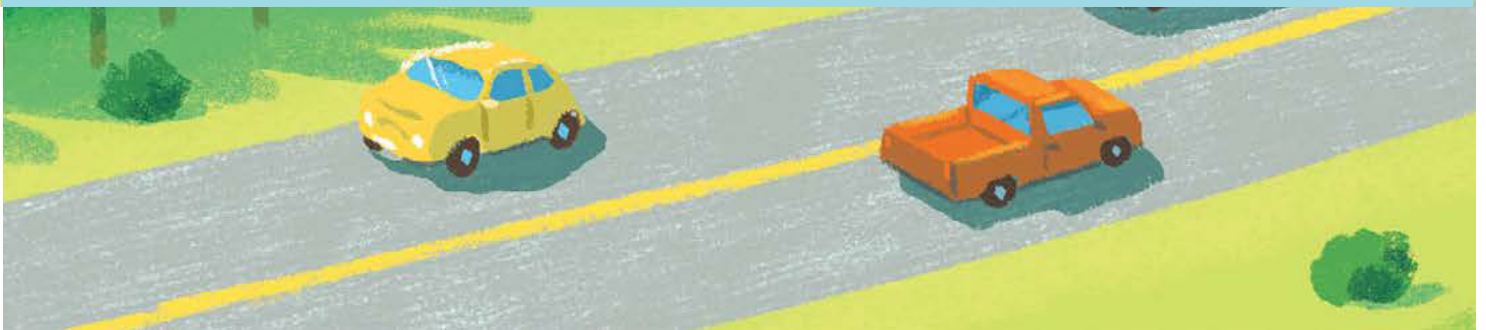
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Make Way for Animals!

A World of Wildlife Crossings

TEACHING & ACTIVITY GUIDE



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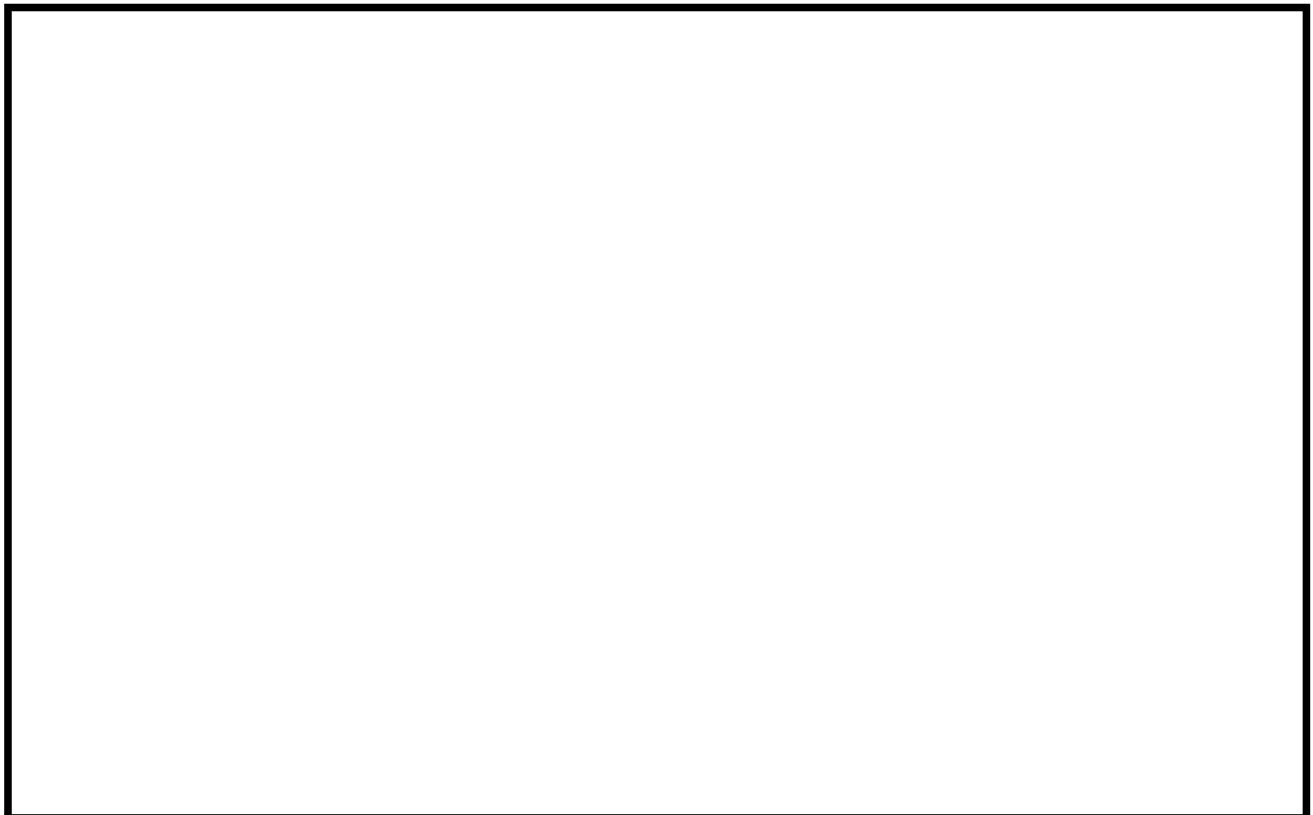


DESIGN YOUR OWN WILDLIFE CROSSING!

A Simple Storytime Activity for Grades TK-3

You learned all about wildlife crossings in the book ***Make Way for Animals!*** Now you can design your own wildlife crossing—for any breed of wild animal, wherever they live in the world! Just follow these steps:

1. What's a wild animal that you love? Write or draw it here:
2. Where in the world does this animal live? Write it here:
3. What kind of wildlife crossing would you like to create for this animal to stay safe in its natural environment? Draw it here (try showing the animals using it as well!):

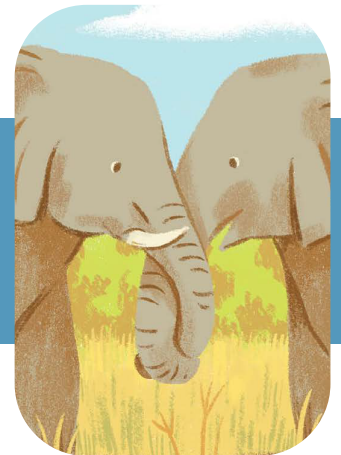
A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to draw their wildlife crossing design.

HOW MANY ANIMALS: PART I

A Seek & Find Numbers Activity for Grades K-4

Millions of animals around the globe use wildlife crossings every day—so many we can't count them all! But we can count the animals using the wildlife crossings in the book ***Make Way for Animals!*** With the book in front of you, answer these questions by counting the animals in the book's spreads:

1. How many badgers are using their bridge? _____
2. How many fairy penguins are using their pipeline? _____
3. How many elephants are using their underpass? _____
4. How many deer are using their detour? _____
5. How many salamanders are using their secret tunnel? _____
6. How many ringtail possums are using their rope bridge? _____
7. How many night monkeys are using their natural canopy? _____
8. How many leaping fish are using their fish ladder? _____



HOW MANY ANIMALS: PART 2

A Seek & Find Numbers Activity for Grades K-4

Now, here are some trivia questions, all about numbers. Find the answers in the book and circle them below:

How many animal bridges are in The Netherlands?

- a)60
- b)600
- c)6,000

How many crabs migrate on Christmas Island every year?

- a)400
- b)40 thousand
- c)40 million

How many miles a day do elephants in Kenya typically travel?

- a)3
- b)30
- c)300

How many continents have wildlife crossings?

- a)2
- b)4
- c)6

How many U.S. states have programs to build amphibian wildlife crossings?

- a)5
- b)15
- c)50

***Bonus Question (from the back matter!): What year was the Nutty Narrows squirrel bridge built?**

- a)1963
- b)1993
- c)2013

ANIMAL ALLITERATIONS!

A Literary Device Activity for Grades K-4

In the book ***Make Way for Animals!***, what do you notice about the words used to describe the wildlife crossings in this book?

- A bridge for badgers
- A pipeline for penguins
- A detour for deer

They have similar beginning sounds, don't they? This is called alliteration. When you are writing a story, you can use alliteration to make your words sound more musical and poetic, like a song or a poem. Want to try it?

Below, you can create your own animal alliterations! Try using an adjective (descriptive word) to describe five different animals of your choice. (For example, a zany zebra.) Then pick one of your animal alliterations and draw it below!

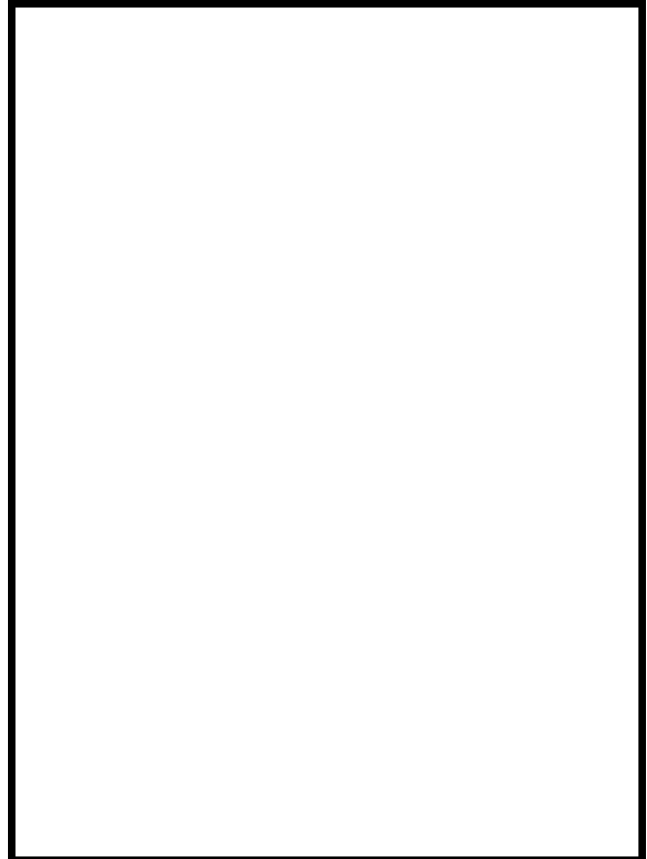
1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____



WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE ANIMAL CROSSINGS?

A Geography Activity for Grades K-4

As you learned in *Make Way for Animals!*, there are wildlife crossings all around the globe. In this activity, you can locate the ones in the book on a world map. Just follow the directions below, using markers, colored pencils or crayons—and use the book to find your answers!

Circle The Netherlands in red. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle New Zealand in orange. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Christmas Island in yellow. What kind of animals have a crossing there?

Circle Kenya in green. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Canada in blue. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Massachusetts, USA, in purple. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Australia in brown. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

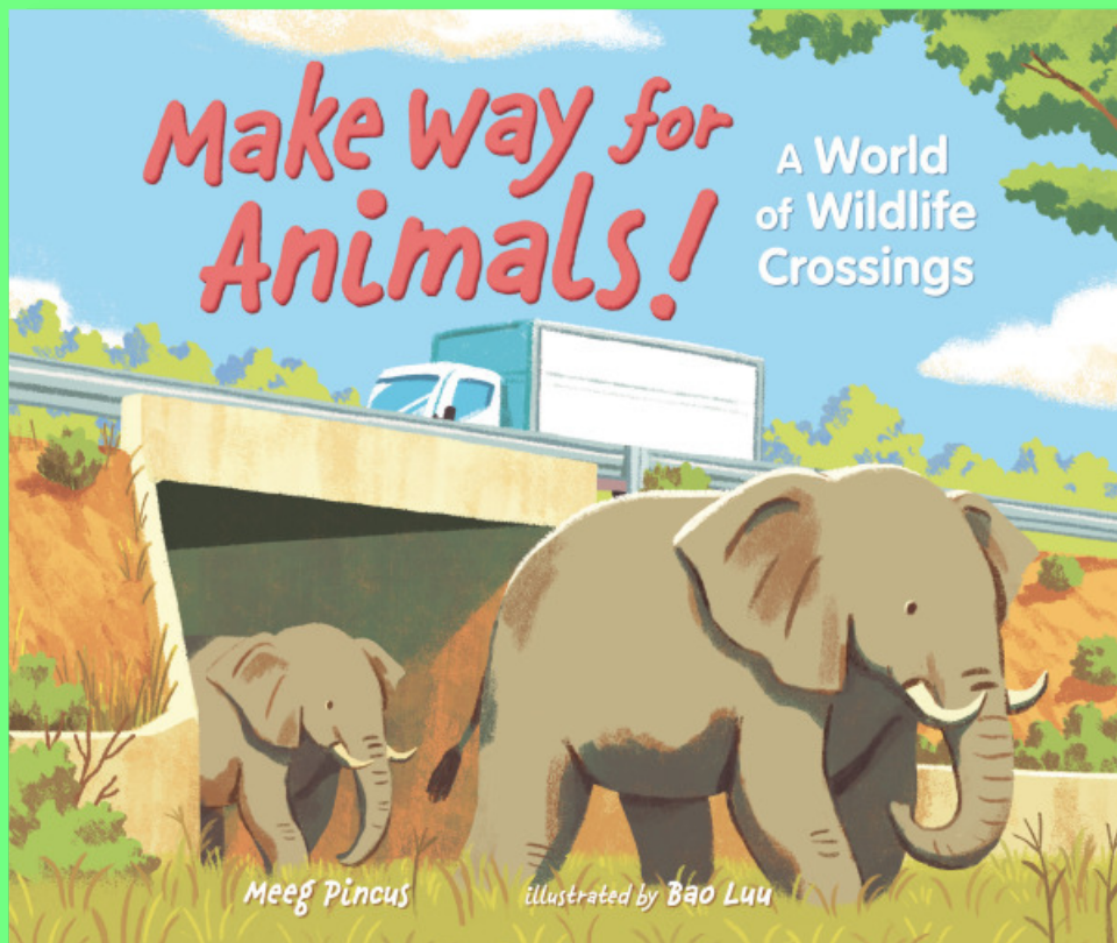
Circle Peru in pink. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Japan in black. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

Circle Norway in silver or gold. What kind of wild animals have a crossing there?

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE ANIMAL CROSSINGS? MAP





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