

Inquiry-Based Learning Resources



Video Observations

Video clips can be a fun way to get your class thinking before visiting Wilder Institute/Calgary Zoo. Scan the QR code to explore a selection of videos of animals under our care, curated to prompt inquiry. Alternatively, you can explore a wide range of clips on our YouTube Channel (<https://www.youtube.com/thecalgaryzoo>).

See...Think...Wonder Worksheets

Slowing down for thoughtful observation and analysis takes practice. These worksheets provide structure for students to practice their skills. They can be used in a variety of contexts, including with the videos included above, outdoor exploration, or in class to consider concepts in new ways.



“Why Can’t All Birds Fly?” Lesson

Scan the QR code to access the complete lesson plan for the activity we did during your session. There are three versions of this premade lesson so they can be implemented in any classroom from kindergarten to grade 9.

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Inquiry-Based Lesson Template

This template was used to build the inquiry-based lesson included in your session. It was adapted from the Four-Directions Education Model from the National Centre for Collaboration in Indigenous Education (NCCIE), which emphasises a holistic approach to developing lessons.

Resource List

Scan the QR code to find more resources you can use to bring inquiry-based learning into your classroom! This includes links to live cameras for animal observation, inquiry-based lessons with a focus on climate change, and a variety of methods for incorporating questions into your day.



Program Booking Link

Visiting the Zoo provides an incredible, dynamic experience that can spark curiosity and inquiry. Scan the QR code to learn more about school programs for grades K-12 that are connected to the Alberta curriculum.