# Unit 3: God Made Interesting Creatures

## Lesson 1: Let's go on an African safari Teacher's Guide

### **Introductory Activities**

- 1. Show pictures: **elephant**, **zebra**, **lion**, **tiger**, **hippopotamus**, **giraffe**, **alligator**, **monkey**, **snake**
- 2. Ask questions:
  - Which makes you afraid?
  - Which are big? Which are small?
  - Which are in the plains?
  - Which do you see in rivers?
  - Which do you like?

Worksheets Follow general guidelines

#### **Expansion Activities**

- 1. Do the chant, "Going on a lion hunt" (in the Teacher's Book.) Teach the students the motions. To create even more of a jungle atmosphere, turn off the lights and have children sit in a circle on the floor. Speak softly, and create a mood of suspense!
- 2. Decorate the room in a jungle theme. Have children work to cut out large palm leaves, snakes, bananas, etc. Bring in some real plants if possible. If you can obtain a cassette tape of "jungle sounds" this can add to the mood!
- 3. Bring in pictures of African animals in their habitats (or show a video) and have students describe the animals (big, fat, small, furry, wild, dangerous...)
- 4. Make animal masks with students and have them act out the animal sounds and behavior.
- 5. Teach the song "Who's the King of Jungle" (The words are in the Teacher's Book.)
- 6. Go on an imaginary African safari and pretend to see the animals. Have some students wear animal masks. If possible, plan a "safari route" that involves leaving the classroom and walking around the school grounds. At various places, have some surprises waiting for the students a snake, a large spider, a gorilla these could be made of paper, or perhaps your colleagues would be willing to dress up and play an animal role!
- 7. Plan a "jungle food" day, in which all students bring a food that they think is found in the jungle. Some possibilities are: bananas, coconut and berries. You may want to do some research as a class beforehand, to see what edible plants grow in the jungle.

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Elephant, zebra, lion, tiger, hippopotamus, giraffe, alligator,

monkey, snake.

A. © Write a lesson word:

B. ©©© True or false:

Snakes are dangerous.

Elephants are small.

Zebras have stripes.

Lions are wild.

### C. © Guess the animal:

**LESSON WORDS:** 

- It is like a big cat. It is yellow with black stripes.
   It is long. Some are poisonous. It has no legs.
- 3. It likes bananas. It enjoys jumping from tree to tree.\_\_\_\_\_
- 4. It likes to stay under water. It is very big. \_\_\_\_\_

### D. © Draw a snake:

IN the river	ON the ground	<b>BEHIND</b> a tree	IN FRONT OF a tree
E. ©© What animals do you like?			
I like	·	I like	
	·		·
I don't like	•	I don't like	·
Ask your friends:			
My friend	lik name)	es	·
(	name)		
My friend	do	esn't like	·
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My friend	lik	es	•
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### F. © Find the animals:

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