The Predator Prey Game



Includes:

Four 8.5 x 11" sheets of animal badges A food web diagram A game guide sheet with a "What do I eat?" list.

Animal tags can be laminated and taped on or put in convention tag holders for protection and easy use (available at office supply stores).

Predator Prey Game Guide

- 1. Laminate your game tags so they can be reused many times.
- 2. Assign each of your students an animal from the list in the game to learn about. They can draw them and find out what they eat.
- 3. Take the kids out to the school sports field or gym. Each child takes on an animal identity when they put on their tag. They can stand in a circle and each tell who they are and what they eat. The "what do I eat?" list below can help you there. Plant tags are for teachers and volunteers to wear so they can supervise and still take part in the game (and be eaten).
- 3. Explain that they can chase their prey and tag them, saying I EAT YOU! Emphasize here that they are not to hit, bite or push. Just tag.
- 4. When they are all ready, say: GO EAT! After about 10 15 minutes they can report how many prey they "caught."
- 5. Then they should switch tags with another student. If they were a predator, they should play a prey to see how it feels to be the other side of the hunt.

This activity is meant to familiarize kids with what animals eat and how they are interdependent in a food web. It has the added benefit of getting the kids outside and moving.

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What Do I Eat?

bear — mushrooms, fish, berries, nuts, mouse, grasshopper, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel **bobcat** — mouse, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel, young raccoon, weasel **chipmunk** — grass, plants, mushrooms, berries, nuts and cones **coyote** — bird eggs, berries, nuts, mouse, grasshopper, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel, deer **crow** — mushrooms, grasshopper, berries, nuts and cones **deer** — grass, plants, mushrooms, berries eagle — mouse, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel, snake, small raccoon, baby weasel **falcon** — crow (small birds), mice, grasshopper **fox** — bird eggs, berries, nuts, mouse, grasshopper, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel **grasshopper** — grass, plants, berries **hawk** — mouse, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel, snake, small raccoon, baby weasel **mosquito** — they can tag anyone, because mosquitoes feed on the blood of any animal! **mouse** — grass, plants, mushrooms, berries **owl** — mouse, rabbit, chipmunk, squirrel, snake, small raccoon, baby weasel **rabbit** — grass, plants, mushrooms, berries, tree buds **raccoon** — mushrooms, fish, mouse, bird eggs, berries, nuts and cones **snake** — mouse, grasshopper

squirrel — grass, plants, mushrooms, berries, nuts and cones

weasel — mouse, grasshopper, rabbit, chipmunk. squirrel















































































