

Constructed Response Item Template

Theme: Endangered Animals

Title : Endangered Animal Letter

Stimulus Material: Pictures of Endangered Animals

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District(s): _Livingston Co. R-III

Grade Range: K-2

Subject Area: Science/Communication Arts

Standards Assessed:

Performance (process)

Knowledge (content)

Goal: 2 Standard: 1

Content: S Standard: 8

Goal: 4 Standard: 7

Content: CA Standard: 4

Item: You are the chairman of the “Save Endangered Species” club. You have to choose one endangered animal for your club to help save. Write a letter, using correct letter form, to the members of your club telling them which endangered animal you want to help save. Convince the other people in the club to choose this animal by giving one reason why the animal needs to be saved and two ways your club can help save that animal.

Example(s) of Correct Response:

23 Fox Street
Johnsonville, MO 56734
April 27, 2000

Dear Club Members,

This year, I think we should work to save the Bald Eagle. We should save this animal because it is our national symbol. We can help save the bald eagle by making posters to tell people not to shoot the bald eagle. We can also tell people not to cut down trees where bald eagles make their nests.

Your friend,
Bob

Scoring Guide: Content

2 Points: Response includes a reason and two ways the club can help.

1 Point: Response includes a reason and one way the club can help.

0 Points: Other

Scoring Guide: Letter

1 Point: Response uses correct letter format.

0 Points: Other