



Session Description

This session focuses on classifying animals, exploring the current classification systems and their relevance to the management of the animal collections at Marwell Wildlife.

Through the activities students will be able to understand the hierarchy of current classification systems and the difficulties in categorising certain species. Together we explore how classification relates to the placing of species within a hierarchical system whereas taxonomy is the science of species identification and their classification.

As part of this interactive session students have the opportunity to classify live animals during this session.

Session Objectives

Understand the hierarchy of current classification systems and the difficulties in categorising species.

Understand that classification relates to the placing of species within a hierarchical system whereas taxonomy is the science of species identification and their classification.

Discuss the economic, social and ethical reasons for the conservation of species including consideration of land-use conflicts

Curriculum Links

- Curriculum links
- AQA Biology 3.2.8 (AS)
- OCR Biology 2.3.2 (AS)
- EDEXCEL Biology unit 4 (A2)



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Key Skills

Through this session students can practice their observation, classification and measurement skills.