

ZOO TOUR

Use Your Senses, Test Your Skills.



The Zoo is a sensational place! Many people use their eyes just to watch the animals, but there is much to hear, touch, see, smell, and do at the Zoo. This activity will challenge you to use many of your senses and test your skills during your visit. Animals use their senses to survive, and you will have a chance to compare your super senses and abilities to theirs!

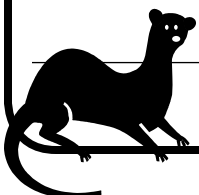


Walk and Discover

As you toured the Zoo, what additional things did you...

Hear?

Touch?



1. Cheetah Conservation Station

Race a cheetah! Find the yellow lines marking the distance of a cheetah's single stride.

How many strides did it take you to fill a cheetah's single stride?

Move your body like a predator trying to catch dinner. Spot your prey, stalk it until you get close, then run as fast as you can to snare it. Did you get your prey? Spin the wheel at the end of the trail to find out.

What did you get for dinner?



2. Asia Trail

Touch the sloth bear fur in the "Built to Survive" life-size cut out.

Sloth bear fur feels like

Touch the Asian small-clawed otter fur in the "Built to Survive" life-size cut out.

Otter fur feels like

Which fur do you like to touch more? Why?



3. Bird House

Follow the outdoor walkway to the flamingo habitat. Flamingos often stand on one leg. How long can you **balance** on one leg?

I can stand like a flamingo for



4. Gibbon Ridge

Listen to white-cheeked gibbon and siamang calls by touching the buttons.

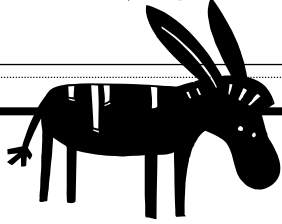
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Smell?

See?



Can you sing like a gibbon?

How do you communicate with your family?



5. Reptile Discovery Center

Touch the scale samples around the building.

Scales feel like

Is that what you expected a reptile to feel like?



6. Kids' Farm

Go into the barn and take a deep **breath**.

What does it smell like to you?



7. Amazonia

Shhhh—**listen** closely to the sounds of the rainforest.

I can hear

The rainforest sounds like a



8. Valley Trail and Gray Seal exhibit

A gray seal can hold its breath for up to 20 minutes!

How long can you hold your breath?

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