

# Animals Including Humans: Animal Babies

<p><b>Aim:</b> To notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults, by describing the changes to animals as they grow.</p> <p>I can describe how animals change as they grow.</p> <p>To identify and classify, by matching animals with their babies.</p> <p>I can match animals and their babies.</p>	<p><b>Success Criteria:</b> I can draw an animal as a baby and an adult.</p> <p>I can say how the animal will change as it grows.</p> <p>I can name some animal babies.</p> <p>I can say which animal some babies will grow into.</p>	<p><b>Resources:</b> <b>Lesson Pack</b></p> <p>Mini whiteboards and pens - class set</p> <p>Camera to record</p>
	<p><b>Key/New Words:</b> Mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, womb, egg, spawn, pregnancy, chick, hatchling, tadpole, adult.</p>	<p><b>Preparation:</b> <b>Animal and Their Young Matching Cards</b> - per group</p> <p><b>How Animals Grow Activity Sheet</b> - per child</p> <p><b>Animal Growth Word Mat</b> - as required</p>

**Prior Learning:** It will be helpful if children have previous experience of classifying animals.

## Learning Sequence

	<p><b>Animal Babies:</b> Introduce the children to a range of baby mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles, asking the children to identify them where they can.</p>			
	<p><b>Animal and Their Young Matching Activity:</b> Children work in small groups to complete the <b>Animals and Their Young Matching Cards Activity</b>, matching the animal babies with their parents, and labelling the animals and babies with their names. When the children have finished, photograph their work to record.</p>			
	<p><b>How Animals Grow:</b> Read the information on the <b>Lesson Presentation</b> to explain how mammals, birds, amphibians and reptiles are born, and how they change as they grow.</p>			
	<p><b>How Animals Grow Activity Sheet:</b> Children fill in the How Animals Grow Activity Sheet, drawing an animal of their choice as a baby and as an adult, and writing a description of how the animal grows.</p>			
	<p> Children use the <b>Animal Growth Word Mat</b> for support, and may dictate for an adult to scribe if necessary.</p>	<p> Children use the <b>Animal Growth Word Mat</b> for support.</p>	<p> Children work independently to write their description of how an animal changes as it grows.</p>	
	<p><b>Life Cycles:</b> Explain the concept of life cycles. Using the images on the Lesson Presentation, children work with a partner to arrange the life cycle of a frog and a butterfly. Still working in pairs, children choose an animal and draw the stages of its life cycle on a mini whiteboard.</p>			

## Taskit

**Wordsearchit:** Reinforce vocabulary with this fun **Animal Growth Word Search**.

**Sortit:** Classify oviparous and viviparous animals with this **Egg or Not? Activity Sheet**.

**Colourit:** Have fun with these lovely **Animal Life Cycle Colouring Sheets**.