

Lesson Plan – Forest Habitats

<u>Learning Objective – Early Years & Reception</u>	<u>Session Structure</u>	<u>Assessment for learning</u>
<p>By the end of the session pupils will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand what a habitat/home is • Describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants • Understand all habitats need to provide food, water, shelter and defence • Understand why some creatures are camouflaged • Have fun working as part of a team and exploring the forest 	<p>General discussion about the forest and creatures which live there. Ask the children to identify the 4 things a home/habitat must provide for all animals. Give each group a picture of a creature and get them to identify how it is adapted to live in its habitat.</p> <p>In small teams build a habitat which provides food, water, shelter and defence for an animal – this can be tiny or big!</p> <p>Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognise what a habitat needs to provide. • Understand how different animals are adapted to live in the same or different habitats. • Look at warning colours and camouflage • Build a forest habitat/home 	<p>During the session we will use questions and answers to encourage children to reflect on their learning from the session.</p> <p>We will end the session with a plenary activity to gauge what they have learnt. Each team will talk about their forest habitat/home and share how they have built it. They will explain how it provides the 4 things needed by their animal.</p> <p>Key words</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habitat • Home • Cosy • Warm • Camouflage • Shelter • Defence • Adaptation