

**You will need:**

- 2 sheets plain card stock
- Printer
- Scissors

**Optional:**

- Camouflage cloth
- Shredded paper
- Toy animals
- Raisins
- Chopsticks
- Plastic egg

**Directions:**

1. Print off the cards onto plain cardstock. Do not print on both sides.  
Or you can print on regular paper and glue to cardstock.
2. **Optional:** Cut the cards out and fold.
3. Try acting out the animal activities suggested on the cards.
  - Which one did you like best?
  - Which animal did you learn the most about?
6. Show us your favorite African Animal Adaptation on our Facebook page “Adventures in EdZooCation” or tag the North Carolina Zoo at #NCZOO or #NCZOOED. You can have someone take a photo (no names please) or draw a picture (names are ok for this one).



## ELEPHANTS

Elephants are sometimes found running and/or traveling in herds to protect themselves from predators as well as for finding food and water.

### ACT LIKE AN ELEPHANT!

By playing a game of 'Tag' you and your friends can act like a herd of elephants!



## GORILLAS

While traveling, gorillas frequently walk quadrupedally (meaning on all four legs) using their knuckles instead of their palms giving rise to the term "knuckle-walking."

### ACT LIKE A GORILLA!

By *safely* practicing your very own knuckle-walk, you can act like a gorilla.



## THOMPSON'S GAZELLES

When fleeing, they may "pronk" - a high, stiff-legged leap that possibly warns others of danger.

### ACT LIKE A THOMPSON'S GAZELLE!

By performing your own leaps, you are acting like a Thompson's gazelle! Have a pronking contest with a friend. See who can pronk the farthest.



## WATERBUCKS

Waterbucks never wander far from bodies of water and can be great swimmers.

### ACT LIKE A WATERBUCK!

By going for a swim, you are acting like a waterbuck! (Make sure you only swim when you have an adult who can be your lifeguard.) You could take some plastic animals and play with them in the bath.



## BONGOS

Distinctive patterns on their bodies help them identify other individuals.

### ACT LIKE A BONGO!

By playing on a team and recognizing who is on your team and who is on the opposing team, you are acting like a bongo! Make a tic-tac-toe game with natural items like rocks, acorns or shells. The x's will all look like one item, and the o's will look like the other.



## SITATUNGAS

They are adapted to an aquatic lifestyle and often create pathways through the reeds to get around.

### ACT LIKE A SITATUNGA!

By making your own pathway in tall grass or a forest, you are acting like a sitatunga! Try making a path through some play grass or shredded paper for some toy animals.



## CHIMPANZEES

Chimps are highly intelligent and will often use a stick as tool to gather their food.

### ACT LIKE A CHIMPANZEE!

By using forks and spoons to pick up and eat your own food, you are acting like a chimp. Try to pick up raisins or small candy with a single chop stick. Make a race by seeing who can use 2 chop sticks to move a plastic egg over the finish line first.



## ADDRA GAZELLES

Addras typically use speed and camouflage to protect themselves from threats.

### ACT LIKE AN ADDRA!

By playing a game of hide-and-seek, you are acting like an addra gazelle. Make it more challenging by adding camo cloth or other naturally colored clothing to make yourself harder to find.

