

Theme: Forest Animals

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Good morning StrongStart friends,

Today's content is put together by Ms. Hussain (from Henderson) and a circle time video from Ms. Joni (from Waverley).

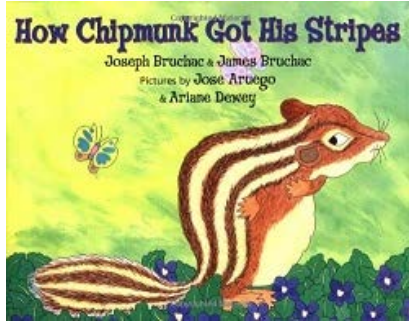
Forest, or woodland, animals range from small ones like a chipmunk or a fox to large ones like a bear or a moose!



If you have some forest animal figurines at home, you can create a forest with some loose parts. You can use wooden planks, sticks, pebbles, pinecones, tree bark, straw or sand. You can make animal homes out of recyclable materials like egg cartons or cardboard! Here's one idea of a forest habitat:



Now, let's join Ms. Joni in a forest animal circle time where she reads a book called "How Chipmunk Got His Stripes" - <https://youtu.be/t4qdW0B-wrk>



Here are two woodland animal crafts you can make with some recyclable materials you may have at home:

Newspaper Racoon (source: <https://iheartcraftythings.com/the-kissing-hand-craft.html>)



- Materials: newsprint, black construction paper, glue, scissors, googly eyes (optional)

Cardboard Owl using Recyclable Materials

(source: <https://www.artycraftykids.com/craft/recycled-cardboard-owl-craft/>)



- The great thing about using different recyclable materials is that it adds texture and layers to the craft. Also, there is an infinite number of ways to make your owls! You can

use old magazine scraps as wings. You can use cupcake liners or old envelopes for the body and loose buttons or bottle caps for the eyes!

To wrap up this email, join our fellow VPL librarians for a fingerplay rhyme called "Two Little Blackbirds" - <https://youtu.be/gjv5Jwgsn7I>. This is a great little rhyme to help toddlers learn about opposites (e.g., fast/slow, high/low, early/late).

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