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Lesson: Informational Writing “Leopard Geckos”
Grade Level: Kindergarten

Objective:

After completing some research lessons on the Leopard Gecko, students will be able to discuss and write about some facts about our classroom pet.

Standards:

CCRA.W.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

CCRA.W.10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes and audiences.

CCRA.W.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization and analysis of content.

CCRA.W.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

CCRA.W.7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrate understanding of the subject under investigation.

Lesson:

Students will participate in a multi day learning experience where we will explore the Leopard Gecko. We will learn about where they live, what they look like, what they eat and other facts about the reptile. During this time students will have the opportunity to look at the habitat that we currently have set up for Zane (our leopard gecko). We will read multiple books, and watch youtube videos on how to care for your leopard gecko. After we have watched the videos, and read the books we will take one day to discuss each topic:

1. What do Leopard Geckos look like?
2. Where do Leopard Geckos live?
3. What do Leopard Geckos eat?
4. Other amazing facts about Leopard Geckos.

Students will help to complete an interactive writing project where they will compose 3 sentences on each topic, and illustrations. As we complete the whole group interactive writing, students will have the opportunity to complete their own during writers workshop as well.

4 Attachments

What do leopard geckos look like.



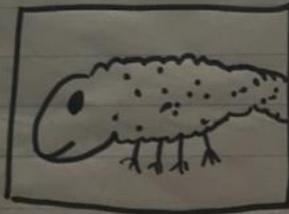
1. The leopard gecko has spots.



2. He is yellow and white.

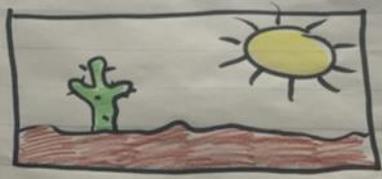


3. His skin is bumpy.

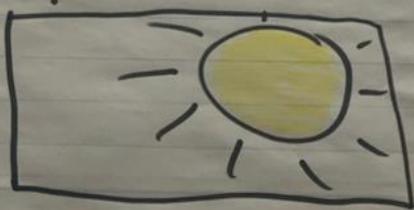


Where do leopard geckos live?

1. They live in the desert.

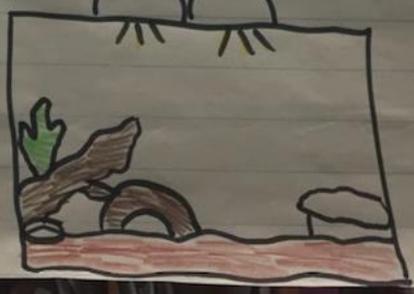


2. IT is Hot.



3. Zane lives in a tank.

Lives in

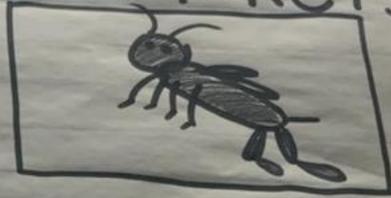


What do leopard geckos eat?



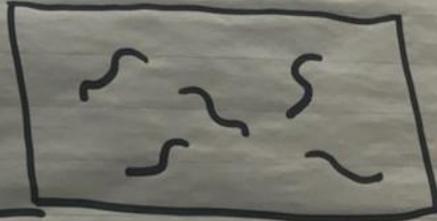
1. They

eat crickets.



2. They
worms.

EAT meal



3. They

DRINK

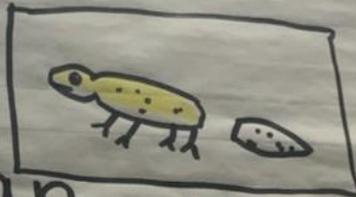
water.



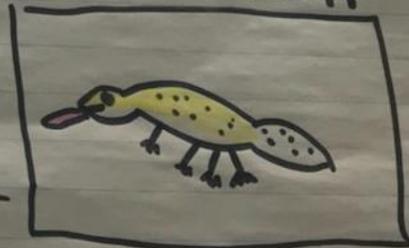
Other amazing facts about leopard geckos!



1. They ^{CAN} break their tail off.



2. They can clean their eyes with their tongue.



3. They are nocturnal.

